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NEW PLANT MANAGER APPOINTED AT EKCO WOOD PRODUCTS

Duane L. Gilbert Sr.

American Home Products of New York City, announces the appointment of Duane L. Gilbert Sr. to the position of Plant Manager of the Ekco Wood Products Co. of Locke Mills.

Mr. Gilbert holds an associate degree from SMVTI and a Bachelor of Science in manufacturing technology from the University of Maine, Portland/Gorham. He and his wife Judy and children, Kimberly and Duane Jr. have built a home in Rumford Point and are involved in many activities in the area.

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ARTICLES FOR ANNUAL GREENWOOD TOWN WARRANT MUST BE IN BY DEC. 31

The Town of Greenwood has set Dec. 31, 1982, as the deadline for submitting articles for the March Town Meeting Warrant.

FROM THE bethel town office

From all indications, the Bethel Highway Department might be the first in the State to have developed a practical Pavement Management System for local use. Two State agencies and 14 towns, having somehow heard of our efforts, made recent inquiries about Bethel's new system. Since it is a new concept, many may wonder what a Pavement Management System is.

Background

Recent articles in the national press graphically describe the decay of our nation's infrastructure, especially our highways. This phenomenon is happening close to home as well as the increased incidence of potholes, pavement unraveling and the need for front end alignments indicate. The 72 mile road system of our Town is, obviously, a very important part of our communications and economic picture. Therefore, proper maintenance of our roads is of real concern among Town officials and taxpayers alike.

On July 1, 1982, the Local Road Assistance Program was implemented that turned over to the Town 12 miles of formerly State roads for maintenance and repair. To assist in the repair effort, the State is providing funding for this fiscal year in the amount of $2,750 per mile paid to the Town in quarterly installments. This supports $1.82 per foot of road repair. Considering that it costs the Town about $30 to rebuild a foot of road with new pavement and roadbed,

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BETHEL HEALTH CENTER TREE ORNAMENT CONTEST

The tree at the Bethel Area Health Center is beginning to look like the most beautiful tree in town now, having Santa Claus, reindeer, and toy ornaments of many Christmas varieties. The Christmas spirit is alive and well in Bethel!

There is still a chance to enter the contest for those working fast and everyone is invited to go see the tree.

The following businesses have donated toys to be awarded in five categories: 1. Prim's; 2. Denison's; 3. Maine-Line Products; 4. Calico Crafts of Hanover.

Santa Claus has also heard of the contest and has donated silver dollars for second prizes in each category.

The deadline for entering the contest is Dec. 17 and the judging will take place on Dec. 20. The winners will be announced in next week's paper.

M. S. A. D. #44 Directors' Meeting

The S.A.D. 44 Board of Directors met in regular session at the Andover Elementary School on Monday evening of this week.

A large group of citizens were present including both parents and staff members. Concerns were expressed by members of the audience concerning matters pertaining to discipline and circumstances attendant to a staff resignation.

The revised manual of S.A.D. 44 Policies was granted initial approval.

The Directors approved the purchase of a 1983 ½ ton Dodge van from Advance Auto Sales of Auburn, at a cost of $7,103. The vehicle is to be utilized by the Transportation Department for miscellaneous duties, including transportation of school lunches.

The resignation of Mary Jane Gaudreau as a teacher of grade one at the Ethel Bisbee School was accepted, effective Dec. 14.

The Board appointed Lorraine Cyr and Pamela Berry to co-coaching positions for basketball and skiing at the Woodstock Elementary School.

A change in the cost-sharing formula of NOVA that would utilize the vocational education enrollment instead of secondary school enrollment basis was favored by the panel.

The Directors approved the purchase by the District of a 1979

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CHRISTMAS MUSICAL IN ANDOVER, DEC. 19

The First Congregational Church of Andover Sunday School will present its annual Children's Christmas musical Sunday, Sept. 19, at 6:30 p. m. All area residents are cordially invited to attend.

Christmas Concert At Telstar, Dec. 21

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 21, at seven o'clock, in the Telstar Regional High School Auditorium the Music Department will present its annual Christmas Concert.

This year's concert will feature the High School Show Chorus doing the mini musical "Kings 'n' Things". This will feature Kristy Angevine as the Gallant Knight; Debbie Wright, as the Queen; Robin Boyce, as the talkative Peasant; Denise Eliot as the fearsome Dragon, and maybe a mystery "Santa Claus"?

Also featured will be the Middle School Band and the High School Concert Band.

Be watching for more news as the Middle School Chorus is working on a musical to be presented in February.

MT. ABRAM FISH & GAME TO MEET TONIGHT (DEC. 16)

Mount Abram Fish and Game Association will meet at the Bethel United Methodist Church Thursday, Dec. 16 (tonight), for a 6 p. m. pot luck supper. Following the business meeting there will be a Christmas tree with an exchange of gifts.

VOLUNTEERS DISTRIBUTE OVER TON OF FOOD AT BETHEL SITE

Oxford County Community Services Outreach Worker, Connie Hindman, reports that residents of Bethel and 18 surrounding communities were served via the efforts of many local volunteers, including the Bethel Lions Club, VOICEs, the Bethel American Legion and other community friends. Volunteers distributed over 2,000 pounds of donated cheese and butter after recipients were certified by Intake Workers from OCCS and VOICEs. The number of eligible families served was 255, representing over 650 individuals.

OCCS is allocating an additional 500 pounds of dairy commodities to the Bethel Lions Club for Christmas baskets and to the Bethel Pantry for emergency distribution to families in need.

POSTMASTER APPOINTED AT EAST ANDOVER

The appointment of Lorena M. Simmons as Postmaster of East Andover has been announced by Northeast Regional Postmaster General, John Mulligan.

Mrs. Simmons was appointed by the Postmaster General in accordance with Merit Selection Procedures of the 1971 Postal Reorganization Act.

Mrs. Simmons was a non-postal appointment. She has previously worked as a bookkeeper at a lumber mill, and most recently as a sales clerk, at Day's Jewelry Store, Rumford.

She succeeds Bernard Hutchins who retired from his position in May, 1982. In the interim, Richard W. Johnston, was Officer in Charge. Mr. Johnston returned to his regular position at the Andover Post Office, when Mrs. Simmons officially assumed the Postmaster position.

Mrs. Simmons was officially installed at an Installation Ceremony which was held on Dec. 7, at the Portland Post Office.

BRYANT POND MAN AWARDED HIGH RITE IN FREEMASONRY

Francis H. Bean of Bryant Pond has been awarded the designation of Knight of the York Cross of Honour, it has been announced. This honorary degree, highest in the York Rite of Freemasonry, is conferred only on those who have held the highest office in each of the four bodies of the rite.

Mr. Bean becomes one of the comparative handful of about 400 of the more than four and a quarter million Freemasons in North America, the Philippines and Australia to qualify this year. Membership is by invitation only.

He served as master of Jefferson Lodge of Masons in 1969; High Priest of Oxford Chapter, Royal Arch Masons in 1975; Master of Oxford Council, Royal and Select Masters in 1978; Commander of Oriental Commandery, Knight Templar, in 1980. He also is a Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Mr. Bean was elected to membership in Pine Tree Priory and his election confirmed by Convent General of the Order on Nov. 19 and a certificate of membership has been sent to him.

Living Nativity On Bethel Common Sunday, Dec. 19

Performances at 4:30 and 5:30

Some members of the cast for the Living Nativity have been chosen and plans are progressing for the presentations on Sunday, Dec. 19, on the Common at 4:30 and 5:30 p. m. Portraying the Holy Family will be Jeff and Patti Parsons and daughter, Emily Jane; Angels, Jackie Provencher, daughter of John and Barbara Provencher, Jennifer Bean, daughter of Wayne and Wilma Bean, Cheri Myers, daughter of Bill and Vicky Myers. The Wise Men will be Nathan Greenleaf, Everett Danforth and William Judson and the narrator, Bruce Goodrich. Music director is Mrs. Arnie Brown; lighting and sound coordinator, Bruce Greenleaf.

Dress rehearsal for actors only will be held on Saturday, Dec. 18, at the Moses Mason House at 3 p. m. Please be prompt. The chorus will rehearse on Sunday at 3:45 at the Moses Mason House.

Still needed are chorus members, shepherds and animals. Please contact Christine Greenleaf at 824-2100 or 824-2744. Townspeople are urged to offer their help, either as participants or behind the scenes. The cooperation of the community is needed.

ROTARY CLUB'S SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS DINNER

A special thanks to the Bethel Rotary Club members and their wives for sponsoring and serving a Christmas dinner for a large gathering of Senior Citizens at the I.O.O.F. Hall on Tuesday. Gene Buswell and company did a fine job in preparing the meal. Many gifts were awarded to winners and everyone had a grand time. Even the weather cooperated — cold but clear. Mrs. Myers provided the finishing touch to a fine day by playing Christmas songs for the entertainment of those present.

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Northwest Bethel

— Clarice Gibson, Corres. —

Saturday was just two more weeks before Christmas. Our weather has got to the below zero reading. The anchor ice has formed along the river and when the air is still one can hear the ice crackling. Sometimes one can almost imagine that someone is walking along making the crackling noise.

A storm has been predicted for tomorrow (Monday) but when I went out to feed the dog one could see a never-ending show of stars. It most seems like people are split 50-50 on the snow issue. A lot want snow for sports purposes and insulation. While others are glad they don't have snow to shovel, walk or drive in. Isn't it good men do not have control!

Mrs. Evelyn Hilborn and Bertha Flanders went to Oxford shopping on Dec. 6, and on the 7th Evelyn had dinner with Ernest and Alberta Angevine.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith Jr. went to Jeri Brooks Christmas party Saturday night at her home on the West Bethel road.

Dec. 5 Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gibbs went to Anita Gibbs' great aunt and great uncle, Ruth and Harold Merrill's, 50th wedding anniversary in Locke Mills.

Sunday morning Danny and Anita Gibbs went into Bethel to have breakfast with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Gibbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hannon, Mary Beth, and Amy, went to the ball game at Telstar, Friday.

Sally Hannon, Anita Remington, Peggy Tripp, Denise Brown and Ann Roy went Christmas shopping in Auburn and also ate out Saturday, and Daniel Hannon took Mary Beth, Amy Hannon and Derek Brown to Rumford shopping.

Frank and Sid Murphy went shopping Saturday to Rumford and then to Gorham, N. H.

Mrs. Linda Howe was given a baby shower Dec. 12 at the Bethel Methodist Church by Ethel Ward (Bob's grandmother), and Suzanne Kimball. Linda received many useful gifts from friends and relatives attending from Rumford, Mexico, Locke Mills, Bethel, Lewiston, Kezar Falls and Gorham, Maine. Attending from our road were Becky Shaw, Thelma Merrill, Gerry Shimamura and Sylvia Benson. Sending gifts but unable to attend from our road were Dolores Williams, Jolene Andre, Althea Brown, Clarice Gibson, and Ginny McCoy. The cake was made by Bob's aunt, Betty Luvvey, and a baby's cradle topped the cake.

Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Shaw went to a Rotary Christmas party at Bryce Yates, Sunday River, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Coolidge and three girls went to Gorham, N. H., shopping Saturday.

While Pat Anderson went shopping, Eric Anderson, stayed at his great-aunt's, Elizabeth Morse, at Sudbury Village.

Sue Angevine and Kristy Angevine went shopping in Berlin, N. H., and Rumford Saturday.

Sue Angevine and her aunt, Lucy Robbins, Bryant Pond, went to lunch in Bethel, Wednesday.

Frank and Sylvia Benson, Toots Sciaraffa and Margaret Belanger, went to the dance at Locke Mills Saturday. Ruth and Charlie Mason were also there.

Sylvia Benson visited her mother, Alice Foss, in Hebron, Wednesday.

Saturday, Frank and I drove down to my folks, Mr. and Mrs. George Allen's, Norway, where my sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tucker, Jr., and brother, Danny, Shiarli and Jacob, were visiting. After they went nephew, Robert Tucker came. George Gibson spent the week end with his grandparents and Sunday Frank and I again went to Norway and had dinner with sister, Iva and husband, Don Holden. Pearl Holden and friend, Steve, also joined us.

As we enter into this Christmas season may we not forget the meaning of Christmas that baby Jesus was sent to save mankind. We are a lot of times caught up in the commercial aspect rather than the spiritual.

THIS WEEK AT THE MOSES MASON HOUSE

Student visitors this week at the Moses Mason House were the third grade classes of Barbara Ferguson and Shirley Merrill from Crescent Park School. Society Director Stanley Howe presented a wide range of slide photographs of Bethel buildings, some of them no longer in existence (such as the railroad station), some moved, (such as the law office of Enoch Foster that once stood on Lower Main Street now part of the Bethel Public Library on Broad Street) and some dramatically altered, (such as the late Grace Merrill's house on Main Street that was changed from a 1½ story to a 2½ story house).

The latest donor to the Regular Endowment Fund is Doris Ordway Lord, former Bethel resident, now in Haines City, Fla. Mrs. Lord's contribution raises the 1982 total to $1,150 from 35 contributors.

Over 70 individuals have become members during 1982, swelling the total numbers of the Bethel Historical Society to over 500. Among those joining in 1982 were Olive Anderson, Bay Shore, N. Y.; Laurel Atkinson, Leeds; J. Maynard Austin, Franklin, Mass.; Otis J. Bartlett, Berlin, N. H.; Barbara Bethel, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Alan S. Burgess, Trevett; Sumner and Lois Burgess, Bethel; Dr. Richard and Catherine Bush, Belmont, Mass.; Norm Buttrick, Freeport; Donald and Mary Calderwood, Mesa, Ariz., (Life); Hugh and Linsley Chapman, Gilead; Adaline Clough, West Bethel; Francis Devine, South Portland; Dorothy Dorr, Newtonville, Mass.; Hugh Dungin, Newry; Percy Fauskin, Corona, Calif.; Horace and Jean Davidson Fay, Bowdoinham; Olive Ferguson, Exeter, N. H.; Cynthia Gotjen, Bethel; Alice Tyler Gray, Portland; Paul C. Gray, South Windsor, Conn.; Stephen W. Gray, Sunnyvale, Calif.; Robert Greenleaf, Scituate, R. I.; Mary Lee Harris, New London, N. H..; Paul Judkins, Dixfield; Paul and Jean Kailey, Bethel; Thelma Knight, Montpelier, Vt.; Ruth Lord, Bethel; Charles Morgan Mason, Pittsburg, Penn.; Lloyd McCabe, Monmouth; Herbert Morton, Andover, Mass.; Alec Newell, Bethel; Charles Newell, Bethel; Herbert and Evelyn Nickerson, Bethel; Paul and Suzanne Patrikus, Bethel; Charles and Edith Seashore, Bethel (Life); Louise Snyder, West Bethel; Roxanne Twitchell Sly, Brooklin (Life); Sigmund and Eunice Sysko, Newry; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wall, Nashville, Tenn.; Barbara Willey, Portsmouth, N. H.; Richard and Evelyn Wing, Bethel; Guy and Vera Parker, Bethel; Mitchell Parker, Milford, Conn.; Kim Bradley Parker, West Haven, Conn.; Viola Waite, Mexico; Marcia Moss, Concord, Mass.; Daniel and Elizabeth Overton, Brooklin; Albert Cotton, Bethel; Russell and Elsie Carpenter, Winchester, Mass.; Jean Barker, Delray Beach, Fla.; Thomas and Renate Barker, Albany, N. Y.

December is membership month at the Bethel Historical Society and anyone wishing to join should call the Socity office at 824-2908. Gift memberships are also a fine holiday idea and special gift cards are available to anyone wishing one or more.

In the Nov. 6, 1891 issue of the "Oxford Advertiser" published in Norway, appears the following Bethel item: "Work has begun numbering the streets and we hope every one will take hold and have their doors numbered as it would not look well with too many spaces."

BETHEL SENIOR CITIZENS MET AT SUDBURY INN

The Bethel Senior Citizens met on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the Sudbury Inn for their regular monthly meeting with 107 members and guests present. Maud Danforth had charge of the registration.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Muriel Faudi. A moment of silence was held in memory of Clifford Miller who passed away Dec. 4. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Millett Cummings followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison. The secretary and treasurer's reports were read and accepted.

Floribel Haines reported that nine get-well and one sympathy card had been sent. She expressed her thanks for the cards that had been donated for Sunshine purposes and for the money that had been contributed to the Christmas baskets.

A special welcome was extended to Doris Chiaradonna of North Reading, Mass.

Congratulations to Rev. and Mrs. Cumming who will observe their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 24.

The President called the attention of the group to the Open House at the Bethel House on Dec. 10 from 2 to 4 p. m. She also announced that the Senior Citizen Christmas Party sponsored by the Rotary Club will take place on Dec. 14 at the Odd Fellows Hall.

Those present who were observing their December birthdays were: Clifton Bean, Julia Brown, Roy Cummings, Rev. Millett Cummings, Ruth Dorion, Alice Howard, Floribel Haines, Iva Hutchinson, Violet James, Helen Martin, Harold Powell, Ernest Perkins, Edith Rowe, Sarah Stevens, Ruth Wilkinson and Edna York. The birthday cake was furnished by:—Mrs. Albert Bennett, Frances Bennett, Mary Cole, Adeline Dexter, Olive Head, Rose Taylor and Ruth Wilkinson. It was made by Leona Flint. The next meeting will be held on Jan. 12 at the Congregational church.

Grace was offered by Rev. Cummings after which a delicious fricassee chicken dinner was served.

Due to the fact that Santa could not join us at this time, Mrs. Santa, who resembled Peggy Coolidge appeared in his place and filled the Inn with good cheer as she distributed gifts to those present with the assistance of Agnes Haines, Maud Danforth, Doris Fraser and Edna York. We were grateful to have her with us as she added an extra sparkle to the gaiety of the afternoon. Following Mrs. Santa's departure, a program consisting of several dance numbers was presented by some of the pupils of Michele Keyes' Children's Theatre in keeping with the Christmas season. The children were delightful as they danced through their various routines and we are grateful to Michelle for arranging this program for our enjoyment.

The group expresses special thanks to the staff at the Sudbury Inn for the nice luncheon, pleasant atmosphere, and the efficient way in which they accommodated the "larger than expected" attendance. Their hospitality was greatly appreciated.

NORTH WATERFORD SENIOR CITIZENS MET DEC. 8

Fifty eight Friendly Senior Citizens enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner, plus much more, at the Punkin Valley Inn on Dec. 8. At the meeting which followed the following nominees were elected officers for 1983. President, Gene Maillet; Vice President, Lillian Herrick; Secretary, Violet Doughty; Treasurer, Ineze Barker. Christie Lord appointed Sunshine Chairperson.

Exchange of gifts followed. Next meeting will be Jan. 5, 1983 at the North Waterford Church with a pot luck dinner.

Songo Pond

— Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corres. —

A Christmas Prayer

Last year . . .
I filled my rooms with candle glow.
Hung holly wreaths and mistletoe
And, in the magic warmth of them,
Forgot the Child of Bethlehem.
With tinsel shine I trimmed a tree,
But held aloof the heart of me—
For it is there that Christ must stay
When he comes in on Christmas Day.
I made no place for Jesus then—
Oh, let Him pass this way again! —Gertrude Hanson

It's been very quiet around the pond this week. Guess everyone is busy getting ready for the holidays. The pond is like a big glass mirror with a few scratches. One daring fisherman has tried it out. Jack Parsons and a few children have taken the rusty edges off their skates. Sure looks like a lot of fun. Guess the ducks had their ESP in high gear—they disappeared the day before the ice came. Week end temperatures were in the minus numbers but have warmed up now.

Friday night David and Norma attended the boss's Christmas party at Town and Country. Saturday Norma and I went to Lewiston. What a mob of people in all the stores and such long check-out lines. The Lawrence Kimballs were also at the Auburn Mall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jewell of Waterford were callers here Sunday morning.

I was in Portland on Thursday for a couple of medical check-ups. I went to Otisfield and Ethel drove me from there. Stopped at Allen Farms which is always interesting.

Magalloway & WILSON'S MILLS

— Alice Harvey, Corres. —

Mark and Alice were in Rumford on Friday. They did some Christmas shopping and visited with Alice's sister, Karen Clohosey.

The Tuesday Ladies met at the hall. Enjoyed a delicious lunch. Plans were discussed for their annual Christmas party.

On Wednesday, Anne and Alice had lunch with Donna at her home.

The Bragg family were in Lewiston and Greene area to do some shopping and visited with relatives.

The Wilson's Mills School children are rehearsing a play for the Christmas program.

We are now in the deep freeze after having two weeks of just beautiful weather. The temperature dipped to 20° below last night.

CUB SCOUT PACK #566 NEWS

Thanks to everyone, Cub Scout Pack #566 had a very successful popcorn sale. This is the first year the Scouts in Maine have been involved and it is hoped the sale will become as popular as the Girl Scout cookies. Pack 566 did very well. They sold 422 buckets, with the highest salesman being Chris Cordwell, who sold 77 buckets. Chris was also top salesman in the Snowshoe District and won a free week at Cub Scout Camp. Other top salesmen were Jason Walega, 35 buckets, Ryan Wheeler and Patrick Harrington, 34 buckets each, and Timmy Chapman, 25 buckets. Every boy selling ten buckets will receive a badge for his uniform and each selling 20 buckets receives a certificate, as well as a badge. After the holidays the Pack Committee will be having another fund raiser to award a quilt/comforter made by Shirley Bates. It will be on display at the Casco Bank. Just what anyone needs for these cold winter nights. It is hoped to get good support from the public on this effort. On Saturday, Dec. 18, the Pack will venture to Ledgeview Nursing Home to put on a Christmas program for the elderly.

TOP POPCORN SELLER—Chris Cordwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cordwell, Bethel, received a free week at Cub Scout camp for selling the most popcorn in the Snowshoe District sale completed recently. Chris topped other Cubs in his Pack and District by selling a total of 77 buckets of popcorn.

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North Paris

— Eveline B. Vatcher, Corres. —

Christmas draws ever near and everyone is busy shopping and planning. The decorated trees inside and outside are pretty. The Billings children at the top of Trap Corner Hill have a tree about two feet tall sitting on the stone wall with a string of colored lights on it and it is cute all by itself and the four children admire it and love it. Doesn't take much to please the children. I have an outside tree. My first and that is Christmas enough for me. Joe decorated one of the live trees. It looks good.

Callers at Lawrences: Rhoda Vatcher, Barry Noyes, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Card, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vatcher, Arnold Coffin, Nancy Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Penley, Sr.

Joe and Eveline Vatcher were at Portland on Dec. 7 for Joe's appointment at the ear specialist, then we cut across to Lewiston C M. M. C. to call on Harlan Abbott and found he had been discharged that same day. He is staying with friends at Mechanic Falls and will go back to the hospital for a check-up, then he may come to the home of his brother, James and wife, Jane. We called on him Thursday afternoon. He has to be careful when eating as he has a cracked jaw. The cast on his left leg is very heavy so he doesn't get around too much on his crutches. Needs more practice.

Rhoda Vatcher went to Saugus, Tuesday for several days. She now has a German Shepherd puppy and he is so cute and likes to chew.

It seems more like Christmas with the sudden change in the temperature.

I had a Christmas card from Fred Judkins and the view was magnificent, a winter scene at Upton with the mountains for a background.

Joe Vatcher and Jimmy Abbott have been doing some work for Harlan Abbott this past week.

Due to the Christmas shopping and the cold weather, news is as scarce as hen's teeth.

The Mollyockett Sportman's Club will have their monthly meeting on Dec. 18 at 12 noon at the Legion hall in West Paris and they will entertain about 30 under privileged children for dinner and a tree with gifts and a visit from Santa.

Sunday River

— Jeannine Fleet, Corres. —

Sent in by Viva Whitman:

What a week this has been! If Mother were here she would have said the "Go Shoes" had really been on the go.

Monday we started the week off right by going to Rumford. Had business to tend to, so went early to shop and had lunch before returning home.

Tuesday night was Pomona, at Bear Mountain Grange #62 at South Waterford. Russell had been asked to to write up a skit for their Christmas program. Guess who was elected to help in acting it out? Peggy and I were the likely ones and did our best to do the skit justice. Russell can really write some funny ones and is great at carrying out the punch line just right.

Another game on the program was for different ones to be blindfolded, and with a bat try to hit a bag that Richard Felt was swinging in front of their noses. One lady made the stick he was swinging much shorter, by giving it a good hit, but it took Peggy one good swing to hit the bag and break it. Candy flew in all directions. Peggy had to pick it up, but had some help so didn't take long. We got many a laugh from that game as you can well imagine.

Wednesday, Russell and I had business to take care of in Norway, so were off again. I had to have some new tires on my car to make it safer to drive, and boy did I shell out some money for those. They don't give them away, that's for sure.

After supper, Peggy, Russell and I went to Telstar High School where they were showing what the Adult Education students had done. The exhibits were great and everyone should be complimented for their good work. Peggy's daughter, Loretta Merrill, was in the Aerobic Dancing class, and they put on a great show. Someone asked me why I didn't try, but I don't think my cane would perform well at all.

Thursday afternoon, Peggy and I went to the Bear River Grange Hall to decorate. Russell was going too, but had bought a new stove and it was being installed, so he joined us later. We were decorating for the big events coming up on the 12th. The wind blew so, it's a wonder the Grange Hall didn't fly away.

Friday morning I started making beef stew. Had cooked the meat the day before, so started on the onions. When Jeannine Fleet brought the carrots she had prepared for the stew, I was crying from all the onions I was fixing. Russell peeled the potatoes and I cut them, so many hands made less work for one person.

That evening Peggy gave the new stove a good work-out by making pies. She made the apple pies for our Sunday supper.

Saturday, Russell began early to make pumpkin pies and then corn bread, all for the supper we were having for the public on Dec. 12.

Sunday morning was nice and brisk so Russell went over to the Grange Hall to start the heat flowing. The big day had arrived and we hoped for a lot of people to show crafts and whatever else they had for sale. We weren't disappointed. So many things were brought to the Flea Market and Craft Sale, it was just wonderful. Had a good many people come to look over the wares and buy also.

We hoped the same would happen when it came time to serve the supper and again we weren't disappointed. We had many compliments on the supper and I am sure everyone enjoyed the Northern Lights Singers after the supper. It was a fabulous program and one worth listening to.

Bear River Grange members would like to thank everyone for the support given and hope we can have many more events with the same kind of response. Thank you all.

KEEP US IN MIND

It's that time of year when your local Rotary Club must start gathering items for our annual auction. The proceeds of all of our efforts go to support such projects as the Senior Citizen Xmas Dinner, Xmas Food Baskets for the needy, student scholarships, support of the local health facilities, summer camp tuitions, area athletes expenses, disabled individuals needs, etc. If you're cleaning the garage, attic, or cellar, let us get rid of those unneeded items for you. Call Roger Conant (824-2131 or 824-2269) for pickup. Help us with your support of our projects. It's a good feeling!

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FROM THE BETHEL AREA HEALTH CENTER

A Continuing Follow-Up on Insurance Coverage

Medicare has actually improved many benefits recently.

(1) There is no limit to the number of medically necessary home health visits that Medicare can cover.

(2) Medicare beneficiaries no longer need a three day hospital stay to qualify for home health visits under hospital insurance.

(3) Medicare covers the full cost of home health services.

(4) The annual limit was increased from $100 - $500 for Medicare coverage of outpatient physical therapy services provided by an independently practicing physical therapist.

(5) The cost of pneumococcal vaccine and its administration is now covered by Medicare.

(6) Medicare now covers the services of a dentist if the same service is covered when a physician provides it.

(7) Medicare now covers hospitalization needed because of the severity of a dental procedure even if the procedure itself is not covered.

(8) Medicare now covers services of an optometrist who provides examinations related to the condition of Aphakia.

NEWS FROM THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT —TELSTAR R. H. S.

The National Honor Society is busy raising funds for its chapter. Lorna Carter, Joyce Gauthier, Sean Kersey and Lesli Olson are presently involved in a fund raiser. Prizes of dinners at local inns will be awarded on Dec. 22.

The Guidance Office has received a good turnout of students using the Guidance Information System (G.I.S.) computer. Thanks to Mr. Davis, the guidance office has an updated computer model—the P.E.T. Commodore. Presently juniors and seniors are using the G.I.S. for careers and college information. After the mid-year break, freshman and sophomore students will receive orientation in using the G.I.S.

The Financial Aid Workshop has been scheduled Thursday, Jan. 20, at 7:00. The workshop will be held for all students and parents inquiring about financial aid for meeting college costs. A financial aid officer from the University of Maine at Farmington will be running this workshop.

Congratulations are extended to Katrina Roberts, a senior from Locke Mills. Katrina has received acceptance to Lancaster Bible College in Lancaster, Pa. She is interested in majoring in Theology.

ONE YEAR OLD — Miranda Lee Crockett, daughter of Clyde and Carol Crockett, Bethel, celebrated her first birthday, Sunday, Nov. 28, at her home. Those helping her celebrate besides her mom and dad were brother Kyle; grandparents Liz and Randall Gilbert, and Lola and Clayton Crockett; Cynthia, Clinton and Grayson Wakefield; David, Arlyn, Amy and Mindy Hale; Neil, Berta and Travis Gilbert; David and JoAnn Crockett; Brent Gilbert; Mary Frost and Larry, Janice and Matthew Bennett.

South Woodstock

— Olive Davis, Corres. —

The Willing Workers held their Christmas gathering with their president, Miriam Morgan. The new Secret Sisters names were drawn for next year. If you didn't get your name contact Minna Morgan. Last years secret sisters were revealed by gifts to their sisters. Exchange gifts for those present, also, were given out by numbers drawing.

Christmas baskets were voted to be given out to the shut-ins.

Christmas refreshments were served by the hostess.

No plans were made for another meeting until warmer weather.

Some homes in this area are well lit up in Christmas lights. Minna Morgan's and Sheryl Wilbur's were beautiful.

Those attending the Willing Workers meeting were Esther Davis, Patty Thurlow, Elaine Wilday, Mary Fleming, Jo Ann Bean and daughter, Sheryl Wilbur and two girls, Theresa and Stacy, Olive Davis and hostess, Minna Morgan.

Monday noon I took dinner with Esther Davis at her trailer.

Mrs. Dittie Garner arrived this week from Washington, D. C. to visit her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Schroer and family. Kip Libby chauffered Mrs. Garner here They returned home Thursday noon.

Winter arrived in earnest Wednesday with a snow flurry and much colder weather. Thursday afternoon my thermometer was down to zero about three o'clock. I haven't dared to look at it since.

Wednesday I called on Herman Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Don Bennett and Mrs. Rowena Dunham. Thursday I called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farrington.

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NEWS FROM ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION

The Learning Fair, held at Telstar on Wednesday, Dec. 8, was well-attended with over 200 attending the supper, and more coming for the exhibits, demonstrations and concert. Highlights of the evening were the automobile extrication demonstrations by the B.E.A.R.S., the Small Computer Swap Shop, coordinated by Ted and Kay Chadbourne, and the many exhibits of work done during the Fall term. The Aerobic Dance classes conducted a mini-session, and Carmo Crafts' students simulated a class in plastercraft and painting. The Fair provides a good opportunity for those interested in attending a class to see what goes on in the SAD 44 Adult and Community Education program, as well as providing a good old fashioned reunion for many residents of SAD 44.

The Community Calendar project, which will provide a listing of events in the SAD 44 area to be published in the Citizen each week, will get underway after the Christmas vacation. Ginger Kelly will be the calendar coordinator. Information regarding deadlines and the nature of events to be listed will be published next week. Copies will be sent to groups in the SAD 44 area. The SAD 44 Adult and Community Education Advisory Council hopes that interested clubs and organizations will cooperate to make this project work by adhering to deadlines.

Most of the fall term classes have finished with high school diploma classes set to end in early January. The Cabin Fever Specials, one night programs, will begin in mid-January, with some courses to start at that time. A special flyer will be mailed to all District residents within the next few weeks describing the interim programs, with the full Spring brochure to go out in February.

WOODSTOCK HISTORICAL SOC. EXAMINES MAPS

Selectman Clifford York made an engaging presentation on topographical maps of the town of Woodstock at the last meeting of the Woodstock Historical Society. The members enjoyed thumbing through the maps on which their taxes are based. Before the meeting the Board of Trustees met and agreed to purchase a sign for the museum. Among those who gave donations were Curator Larry Billings, Chairman of the Board of Trustees Mansfield Packard, and Mrs. Elsie Bryant, whose late husband was descended from Christopher Bryant.

In addition, the Building Committee has tentatively fixed on a building suitable for a museum and meeting room. In the coming months the Society will be soliciting money to purchase a new museum. The building chosen is perfect for the Society's needs, and details of the arrangement will be decided upon definitely in the next few weeks. Thus begins an exciting new chapter in the Society's growth.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

S. A. D. 44 — December 20-22

Monday: Spaghetti and meat sauce, green beans, Congo bar, bread and peanut butter, milk.

Tuesday: Meat pattie and gravy, mashed potato, peas and carrots, fruit, hot cinnamon bun, milk.

Wednesday: Hot dog in home made bun, vegetables, mixed desserts, cheese slices, milk.

CARD OF THANKS

Our sincere thanks to all who remembered us with expressions of sympathy at the loss of our loved one, for the comforting words from Rev. and Mrs. Millett Cummings, the prayers, flowers, gifts, food and many other kind deeds. A special thank you to members of the Bethel Ambulance Service. The thoughfulness of our friends and family is greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Clifford Miller
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Henneforth and family
Mr. and Mrs. David Miller and family

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SAT., DEC. 18 10 a. m. - 4 p. m.
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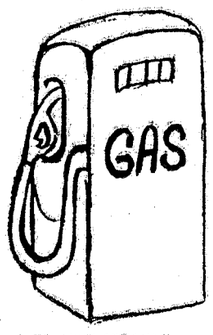

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Aerobic Classes

(Note correction from last week's schedule)
No experience necessary
8 weeks starting week of Jan. 3rd
2 one hour classes a week — 16 lessons for $25.

Monday & Wednesday
8:30 a. m. — Aerobic Dance (Studio)
2:45 p. m. — Aerobic Dance (Telstar Library)
6:30 p. m. — Fonda and Aerobics (Studio)

Tuesday & Thursday
8:30 a. m. — Fonda and Aerobics (Studio)
6:30 p. m. — Aerobic Dance (Studio)

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WEST BETHEL UNION CHURCH

West Bethel Union Church will hold its Special Christmas service on Thursday, Dec. 23, at 7 p. m. This will be followed by Christmas caroling and refreshments. All are invited to the service, and to go caroling.

Youth meeting will be held at 6:30 p. m. on Thursday, Dec. 16.

Choir rehearsal is on Thursday at 7:30 p. m. Please come and help as adult voices are needed for Christmas selections.

The Youth Group has been working on decorations for the Christmas season. On Sunday morning they presented two fine banners to the church. The group had also decorated the tree, and the Church School children hung their decorations on it during the service.

A poinsettia in memory of Paul Barker Head was furnished by the Head family. Three wreaths made by Arthur Gilbert decorated the outside of the church.

The Christmas party of the Chapel Aid Society was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Head on Wednesday, Dec. 8. A pot luck dinner was enjoyed, followed by a Christmas Scramble game, and exchange of gifts.

At the business meeting a final report of the Christmas sales was given. A total of over $900 was received from the two sales. Sunshine Committee reported fruit baskets and a plant were delivered to sick members. Also several cards were mailed. Voted to give a sum of money for the heating bill as needed. Christmas gifts are being made up for shut-ins at home and at Ledgeview. Tray arrangements for all residents at Ledgeview are also being given. Next meeting on Jan. 12.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES SCHEDULED

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, Rumford, and Christ the King Episcopal Mission, Bethel, announces the following schedule of services for Advent IV and Christmas: Sunday, Dec. 19, The Holy Eucharist, 9:30 a. m. Rumford, 5:00 p. m, Bethel. Friday, Dec. 24, Festival Eucharist, 7:00 p. m. Rumford, The Feast of the Nativity 11:00 p. m, Bethel. Sunday, Dec. 26, Festival of Lessons and Carols, 9:30 a. m. Rumford.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

GOSPEL CENTER HAVING 'BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS' SATURDAY, DEC. 18

The Bethel Gospel Center will be having its annual "Birthday Party for Jesus" Saturday, Dec. 18 at 2 p. m. A rehearsal for the Sunday School program will precede the party.

Everyone is invited to attend the prognam Sunday evening, Dec. 19, at 6 p. m. Toddlers through teens will portray the Christmas story as told in Luke 2. Special music and a film will also be presented.

Albany — HUNT'S CORNER AND VICINITY

— Kathy Bennett, Corres. —

The Christmas holiday is just ahead and everyone is busy—involved in their own preparations and family traditions.

A time to rejoice also a time for tragedy. Our blessings are with those who sorrow at this Christmas season.

Roberta and Albert White and girls called on Mr. and Mrs. Albert McAllister Sunday evening.

Sarah Andrews had an early Christmas dinner and tree with the Linwood Andrews family on Sunday in Auburn.

Friday evening Margaret Barton went to Conway, N. H., to attend a bridal shower for Miss Mary Seavey. Saturday Margaret and Franklin and Jim Barton went to Lewiston.

Saturday evening the Bartons attended the dance in Oxford with Bill and Yvonne Robinson. Sunday Margaret and Franklin attended a Coon Club Christmas supper at Punkin Valley in Lovell.

Recent callers at the farm have been Diane and David Thurston and Warren and Don and Joan Leino and children who are now living in South Waterford.

Alice Wardwell joined her four sisters, Bea Fairnum, Edith Hathaway, Ruth Dunham, and Helen Ring, at the Ring home for dinner on Sunday.

Dave and Mary Ellen Scribner visited his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scribner, on Saturday.

Recent visitors at the home of Hugh and Edith Stearns and Ruth Bumpus have been, Barb and Howard Inman and Dareth and Mike and June Inman and children.

The residents of K-D's Acres took off this week end and visited T/Sgt. and Mrs. Ernest Fairbrother and family at Pease Air Force Base. We had a grand time.

Sunday we returned home for the Christmas party at the church. This affair was a great success thanks to Alice and Arthur Wardwell, Jane Wardwell and Jean and Dan Reynolds. A special thank you to all who helped make gifts and to Santa Claus who was a big hit as usual.

Callers here during the week were Barb Inman, Jeff Barton, Margaret Barton, Franklin Barton, Chris and Elton Cole and girls.

Have a good week everyone.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

On Christmas Eve, two opportunities to worship the newborn King will be offered at the West Parish Congregational Church. At 7:30, the Revs. Brendon and Jean Bass will lead worshipers in a service of readings and carols. This is early enough for families with young children to attend.

At 11:00 the Rev. Jacqueline Merrill will celebrate a midnight Eucharist. Both services are open to everyone.

COLD WATER BROOK ROAD — NORWAY

— Wilma Pierce, Corres. —

Beth Deshon entered St. Mary's Hospital, Lewiston, Sunday for a throat operation.

Wilma Pierce spent one day last week with her cousin in South Paris.

The Deshon house is fast going up. All ready now for wiring which will be done in a few days.

Gerry Deshon, Pam Payne, Debbie Deshon, were all in Lewiston, Monday.

PVT. LIZOTTE COMPLETES BASIC TRAINING AT FORT SILL

Army Pvt. James Lizotte, grandson of Lucy Robbins of Route 2, Bryant Pond, has completed basic training at Fort Sill, Okla.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

He is a graduate of Telstar Regional High School, Bethel.

CHURCH NEWS

Bethel United Methodist Church
Rev. Millett Cummings, Pastor
Tel. 824-2010 or 743-2213
Organist, Mrs. Susan Glines
Administrative Board Chairman, Harold Powell
Sunday School Superintendent, Norman Clanton

Sunday:
9:15 a. m. Church School, preschool through adult classes.
10:30 a. m. Worship Service.
Tuesday: 9:30 a. m. Bible Study at the church.
Thursday: 7 p. m. Choir rehearsal.
UMW — first Thursday of each month, 1:30 p. m.
Anyone needing prayers of church members or knowing of someone in need please call Mrs. Burton Abbott, Mrs. Wallace Saunders or Mrs. Ranald Stevens.

West Parish Congregational United Church of Christ
Church St., Bethel
Rev. Brendon Bass.
Rev. Jean Bass
Co-Pastors
Miss Mary Valentine, Minister of Music

Sunday:
Church School, 9:15 a. m. Pre-School - Adult.
Worship Service, 10:30 a. m.
Nursery care provided.
Wednesday:
9:30 a. m. Women's Craft Group. (Fourth Wednesday of each month—Women's Fellowship.)
5:30 p. m. Youth Fellowship, Grades 6 - 8.
Thursday:
5:30 p. m. Pilgrim Fellowship, Grades 9 - 12.
7:30 p. m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal.
Clothing Depot: Call 824-2653 or 824-3306 for assistance.

Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church
Rt. 26 Bethel
Rev. Donald R. Proulx
Saturday, 4:30, Anticipated Mass.

Bethel Gospel Center of Christian & Missionary Alliance
D. N. Larson, Pastor

Sunday:
Sunday School, 9 a. m., three year olds through adults.
Babysitting for all children under five years during Church:
Morning Worship, 10 a. m.
Evening Service, 6 p. m.
Monday: Men's Bible Studies, 7 p. m.
Ladies' Bible Study. Tuesdays, 9:30 a. m. — for location call: 824-2859. Babysitting.
Wednesday, 7 p. m.: Prayer and Bible Study.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene
Church Street
Rev. Barry Beverage

Sunday:
Sunday School (for all ages including adults), 9:30 a. m.
Morning Worship, 10:30 a. m.
Evening Worship, 6 p. m.
Wednesday: Prayer Meeting, 7 p. m. Youth Meeting, 7 p. m.
For transportation or information to any service call 824-2872.

West Bethel Union Church
Rev. Norman Rust, Minister
Phone: Church 836-2925
Home 392-2091
Parish Day Thursday
Mrs. Nesta Littlefield, Organist
Mrs. Rodney Kimball, Custodian
Morning worship, 11:15 a. m.
Nursery provided for pre-school children.
Chapel Aid, second Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Pleasant Valley Bible Church
836-2828
B. R. Griffeth, Pastor
Linda Stowell,
Pianist and Choir Director

Sunday:
Sunday School, 9 a. m. Ages 3 through adult.
Morning worship, 10 a. m. Babysitting for children through age 5.
Tuesday: choir practice, 6 p. m.
Prayer and Bible Study, 7 p. m.
Thursday afternoon Ladies Bible Study. Babysitting available.
Those needing information or rides to church activities, please call Maureen at 824-2949.

Locke Mills Union Church
Rev. Michael Caldwell
Mrs. Richard Melville, Organist
Church Services, 9:00 a. m.
Sunday School, 10:30 a. m.
Bible Study, Sunday, 7:30 - 8:30 p. m.
Trustees meet the second Wednesday of each month, Sunday School Room.
Ladies Circle meets every third Wednesday at 1:30 p .m.
Choir Rehearsal, Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p. m.
Youth Group, Thursday, 7-8 p. m.

Bryant Pond Unitarian-Universalist Church
Worship and discussion by members focuisng on topics of ethic and social responsibilities. Seekers from various backgrounds welcome. Alternating Sunday evenings at 7 p. m. Call Bryant Pond 101 for information.

CLOTHING DEPOT OPEN

The Clothing Depot in the barn at the Congregational Parsonage on Broad Street, Bethel, will be open from 9 a. m. till noon on Saturday, Dec. 18, and Friday, Dec. 24.

Through the kindness of many generous people in the Bethel area, the Depot has been stocked with good, used clothing to help meet the needs of persons on low incomes or recovering from a fire or other hardship. A project of the Congregational Church and the Bethel Area Health Center, the Depot continues to be opened for this purpose to any calling 824-2653 or 824-3306.

During the mornings of Dec. 18 and 24, the Clothing Depot will be kept open to anyone wanting to look for warm clothes for the winter. Those who wish to give a donation in return for articles they pick up are encouraged to do so. The money will be used to improve this community service.

Bryant Pond Baptist Church
Pastor: Linwood Hanson

Sunday:
9:15 a. m. Sunday School.
10:30 a. m. Worship Service.
6:00 p. m. Lifeline for High Schoolers.
6:00 p. m. Evening Service.
Wednesday, Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p. m.
Thursday, Awana Clubs: 2:30-4:00 for K thru Gr. 2; 6:00-8:00 for Gr. 3 thru Gr. 8.

Newry Community Church Newry, Maine
Rodney Hanscom, Pastor
Robert Duran, Organist
Sunday Morning Worship, 9:00
Thursday, 7 p. m. Bible Study at Owen Wight's.

Assembly of God Upton
Rev. Andy Torbett
Saturday, 7 p. m. Worship Service.

First Congregational Church United Church of Christ Andover
Rev. Norman Rust, Pastor
Phone: Church 392-4678
Home 392-2091
Organist and Choir Director, Mrs. Linda Burnham
Sunday School Supt., Paula Putnam

Sunday:
9:15 a. m. Worship Service.
Thursday: Junior Choir, 6:30 p. m.; Senior Choir, 7:30 p. m.
Ladies Aide—Every other Monday at noon, C. E. B.

Calvary Congregational Church
Route 5
Andover, Maine
Pastor: Donald Grover
Pianist: Mrs. Edna White
Choir Director: Carol Stuart
Sunday School Superintendent: Marjorie Stinson
Worship Service, 10:45.
Sunday School, 9:30.
Youth Group, 5:30.
Prayer and Praise, Wednesday at 7:30 at the church.
Choir rehearsal, Wednesdays at 6:30.

St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church
Rumford, Maine
A Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, The Rev. Jacqueline P. Merrill, 824-3169, 5:00 p. m. the second and fourth Sunday of the month at the West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel, Maine.

Rumford Area Bible Speaks
Pastor, Bob Colby
364-4573

Sunday: 10 a. m. Worship Service and Sunday School at the Faith Bible Chapel, Rumford Corner.
Sunday and Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Services at 425 Prospect Ave., Rumford.
Thursday, 10 a. m., Women's Bible Study, at Eleanor Brooks', Main St., Bethel.
Mon.-Fri., "Truth for Today" radio broadcast on WRUM, 790 am —11:30 a. m. - 12:00 noon.
Mon.-Fri., Truth For Today Bible School Class, 6 p. m.-10 p. m., 524 Prospect Ave., Rumford.
For information or counseling call 369-9373.

Christian Science Services
In all Christian Science Churches, the Lesson-Sermon read from the desk is the same. The public is cordially invited to attend.
Sunday, Dec. 19: Subject—Is the Universe, Including Man Evolved by Atomic Force? Golden Text: I Chronicles 29:11; Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the Kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, corner of Main and Tenth Streets, Berlin, N. H., holds Sunday morning services at 11 a. m., and Sunday School at the same hour for pupils up to the age of 20 years. The Wednesday evening meeting is at 7:45, including testimonies of healing.

Christian Science Society, Norway, 9 Stevens St., off Alpine St. Sunday: Services and Sunday School at 10:30 a. m.
Wednesday evening service at 7:30 p. m. includes testimonies of healing.

OXFORD COUNTY UNITED PARISH

Albany Congregational Church
Pastor Jeffrey Hooker
3 p. m. Worship scervice in the Church basement.

East Stoneham Congregational Church
Jeffrey Hooker, Pastor
9:00 a. m. Worship Service

North Waterford Congregational Church
Jeffrey Hooker, Pastor
10:30 a. m. Worship Service.

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SENATOR COHEN

From Washington

For a number of footwear-producing countries, the United States represents an ideal export market. With no barriers prohibiting the import of nonrubber footwear from such countries as Japan, Taiwan, Korea, France, Italy, Spain, Brazil and the United Kingdom, the U. S. has experienced a virtual flood of foreign shoe imports over the past dozen years.

Unfortunately, American-made shoes receive no such welcome overseas. Although they actively encourage the export of their own products, many countries—including Korea and Brazil — officially ban all leather footwear importation. As a result, the U. S. not only loses the opportunity to sell its own footwear, it becomes a ideal target for the diverted footwear trade from all over the world.

Our vulnerability to the escalating volume of world shoe exports and the deprivation of our own export opportunities place the United States' footwear industry in a precarious position. More than 90,000 employees have lost jobs in direct footwear manufacturing over the past decade—including 22,000 in the last year alone. Imports have increased by 114%, and now account for well over half of the domestic market.

I have been especially concerned about the footwear industry because of its importance to the economy of Maine. Maine recently became the top footwear producing state in the country, employing 17,600 people in 63 plants and generating $160 million annually in payroll money.

Maine's fierce struggle with shoe imports has been reflected by some alarming statistics: a 15% decline in production levels, a 23% reduction in the number of factories, and a 36% decline in employment since 1968.

Last week I successfully brought this problem to the attention of U. S. Special Trade Representative Bill Brock, who has since decided to take positive action on these restrictive foreign trade practices. Ambassador Brock pledged to me his support in eliminating the trade barriers established by foreign countries by taking whatever actions are necessary.

In my meeting with Brock, I mentioned a recent noteworthy example of how Maine footwear manufacturers are suffering the effects of restrictive trade practices. The Lewiston-based Acorn Products Company, Inc., whose wool and leather slipper socks recently became standard equipment on Space Shuttle missions, has just had an order for 30,000 pairs of its slipper socks to a Japanese department store blocked by the Japanese government.

In my opinion, this is a classic case illustrating the success of a small manufacturer in penetrating an overseas market, only to have its efforts thwarted by unfair trade practices. The U. S. footwear industry already faces a significant threat from many less developed countries—which have an abundant low-wage, semi-skilled labor supply well-suited for inexpensive footwear production—and should not have to face additional restrictions on its export opportunities.

I view Brock's assurances as an indication of changing times for our domestic footwear traders. By pursuing this action, our government is saying, in effect, that its "taking off the blindfold"—and that we will no longer tolerate discriminatory practices in the world market.

Walking With Jesus Christ

The Christmas story—a living, personal relationship with God.

Christmas is the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ—the Son of God—the second person of the —"let us make man in our image" Gen. 1:26—"After our likeness."

The Book of Genesis. In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth"— "And God said, let there be light; and there was light." The second day came water—the third day—land, sea and plant life appeared. The fourth day the sun, moon and stars became visible. On the fifth day: animal life—the sixth day living creatures—and then God created man to: "have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth."

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. On the seventh day God ended his work which he made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he made." And said it—"it was very good."

And it was good—until—man, Adam and Eve transgressed—failing God by accepting the false and deadly promises of Satan with the tragic consequence of sin in all the world today. Adam and Eve's choice was from good to bad—ours is from bad to good—from sin to forgiveness of sin through Jesus Christ who was brought into the world on Christmas day.

Tho the people of the world have fallen from God's grace he still loves us. John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whomsoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

The choice is ours—even as the Israelites were told in Deuteronomy 30:15— "See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil—16—in that I command thee this day to love the Lord thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his ordinances that thou mayest live—17—but if thine heart turn away, so that thow wilt not hear, but be drawn away—18—I declare unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish—19—I call heaven and earth against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore, choose life, and both thou and they thy seed may live."

The choice is ours—Jesus Christ the answer.

Merry Christmas
Fred Werner

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Letters to the Editor

To the Citizens of S.A.D. 44

We just came from the school board meeting and feel sick over the acceptance of Mrs. Gaudreau's resignation. If you were a boss, and an employee resigns after 20 years woudn't you want to know why? Not our board. Oh, they asked the question and then allowed it to slide by without an answer Could you vote without knowing why? If they needed a ⅔ vote to go into closed session why didn't they need a ⅔ vote on a resignation?

Mrs. Gaudreau is a devoted teacher; she never fails to speak to a child or his parent. Even with her busy life we have been able to call or see her at home. She did not want to resign, but did because she felt that the children could cope easier with a new teacher than the pressure they would be under.

Last year Ethel Bisbee School was a great school. Teachers and parents worked together to enrich our children's lives with activity periods, awards for achievement, etc. All has changed this year; some teachers and students are unhappy, there are no activity periods and teacher and parents meetings are held during the day when teachers and working parents are unable to attend.

It is about time we as parents found out just what is going on in our schools before all our great teachers are gone. We want answers on why Mrs. Gaudreau resigned and just what is going on in our schools.

We were afraid to speak up at the meeting, thinking they might treat our child differently; but feel it about time we said something because keeping silent is affecting her too.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Morin

Dec. 14, 1982

To the Citizens of S.A.D. 44:

I have recently discovered that I have little or no say in my children's lives while they are enrolled in the schools of this district. Decisions concerning their lives are being made by the principals and the superintendent. These decisions have been in complete opposition to my concerns, wishes and requests. I do not recall giving them this authority nor do I believe that they have this right. It is frightening to me.

The school board should be the place to resolve such a problem, but how does one approach a board who is apparently not eager to hear parents' complaints. The superintendent directs and informs the board and rarely does a citizen have an opportunity for any input. How can the board be impartial or act fairly on a conflict with the administration? I might add that dealing with the board is so unpleasant and unsatisfactory that it is understandable why most people avoid such an experience.

Where does a citizen go when seeking a satisfactory solution to a school related problem? When a principal disregards your wishes, a superintendent ignores your complaints and a school board is too unapproachable to assist you, what are your alternatives?

There are other choices but it is regrettable that they are outside of the system. I would hope that "the system" would examine itself and make the needed corrections.

Sincerely,
Bonnie L. Angevine

To All Interested Citizens:

The officers and members of the West Paris Firemen's Auxiliary wish to make it known to the citizens of West Paris that we are in need of ladies interested in joining us to help us keep this organization healthy and active.

We have become such a small group it is difficult to carry out traditional responsibilities that we are noted for namely; The annual Easter egg hunt, our annual food and rummage sale, fund raising suppers, our float and booth for Old Home Days, a Halloween party for the children, the drawing for a Thanksgiving Food Basket and Christmas party.

We would like to be able to continue to raise funds for helping the fire department with repairs and up-dating fire equipment, perhaps purchasing new fire fighting equipment, supplies and furnishings for the fire station itself, and kitchen, and just generally be supportive to the firemen.

Last year at the annual meeting we were forced to vote down the idea of sponsoring benefit suppers for fire victims and settle for a small donation determined by the estimated loss to the victims.

The reasons for this were twofold; Lack of facilities in the winter months for holding said suppers and a very small active membership

As it is, we have to call on inactive members to help with what we do, do, so why not let's all become active and get back to accomplishing things we would like to be doing? Not only firemen's families but all women of the town are invited to take part.

Our meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at the fire station at 7 p. m. We hope to see you all there!

Sincerely yours,
The West Paris Firemen's Aux.

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othing Depot in the barn Congregational Parsonage l Street, Bethel, will be m 9 a. m. till noon on , Dec. 18, and Friday,

h the kindness of many people in the Bethel Depot has been stocked d, used clothing to help needs of persons on low or recovering from a fire hardship. A project of regational Church and the rea Health Center, the ntinues to be opened for ose to any calling 824-24-3306.

the mornings of Dec. 18 the Clothing Depot will open to anyone wanting or warm clothes for the hose who wish to give a in return for articles up are encouraged to do oney will be used to im- s community service.

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Area Bible Speaks
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For Sale

FOR SALE - Kroshler sleep sofa, like new. 836-2122. 50

Xmas Pups to give away. Part Collie and Shepherd. Beautiful pups. Variety of colors. Call 824-2926 or 824-2807. 50p

1973 Plymouth Satellite. New snow tires, battery, sticker. 41,000 miles, in excellent condition, $1,100 firm. Call 824-2183 or Bryant Pond 100. 50tf

1973 Jeep J-2000 Pick-Up, 7' bed, 360 C.I. V-8 engine, plenty of power, power steering, heavy duty suspension, Fisher 7½' power angle plow, new Die Hard, four new snow tires and spare, $2,100.00. 824-2810. 50tf

COMPANY coming? In a pinch? Use Blue Lustre—It's a cinch. Rent electric shampooer, $1 and $2 machines. Brooks Bros., Inc., 824-2158. 50

FOR SALE - Small workbench, $10; 1 HP B&D 7¼" circular saw, $15; B&W 13" T.V., $20; hot air popcorn pumper, $15. 824-2627. 50p

FOR SALE — Heavy aluminum storm door, extra wide; earthern crock, earthern jug, several other items. Grace Morrill. 836-3634. 49-50

1980 Dodge 150, 6 cyl., 3 speed overdrive transmission, 38,000 miles, $4500 or best offer. Call after 5:30 p. m. 875-2615. 49-50

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We have over 70 vehicles in stock now. Why not turn in the old dog now and drive a dependable car this winter? See why low overhead saves you money.

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1981 VW Rabbit ½ ton, gas, P/U, with $650 cap. Low mileage and extra clean. $5,495

1980 VW Rabbit ½ ton diesel with fancy cap. 20,000 mi. 45 mpg. Rare find. $4,995

1980 Datsun long bed 4x4, fancy red truck, one owner, low mileage. $6,395

1978 Chevy Blazer 2 wheel drive, V8, 4 sp., P/S, Cheyenne package, 56,000 miles, one owner, removable hard top. Like new. $3,595

1977 Subaru 4x4 Wagon. A steal at $1,595

1977 Ford Courier ½ ton, 4 cyl., 4 speed, new paint. Solid—clean—economical. Only $2,195

1976 Datsun King Cab, new tires, custom paint and nice cap. $2,500

1973 Datsun ½ ton, 64,000 miles, new fenders and paint. $1,295

Cars

1982 Chevy Citation 3 dr., 3,400 miles, H.O. V6, auto., P/S. Cost almost $10,000. SHARP. $6,995

1981 Dodge Omni 4 dr., 4 speed, 27,000 miles, one owner, EPA 30 city, 50 highway. Only $4,395

1981 Chevy Chevette, loaded car, diesel, (45 mpg), auto., P/S, 11,000 miles, one owner. $5,195

1980 VW Rabbit 4 dr., best model, velour interior, red exterior, roof rack, factory sun roof, diesel, 45 mpg. $4,995

1980 Citation 4 dr., 4 cyl., 4 sp., P/S, 24,000 miles, one owner, 32 mpg. (Room and economy). Like new. $3,995

1980 Pontiac Sunbird Sport Coupe, V6, auto., P/S, wire wheels, low mileage. Sharp! $3,995

1980 Mazda GLC, 4 speed, bright red, one owner, 43,000 miles, 35 mpg. Real nice. $3,395

1979 AMC Spirit 3 dr., 6, auto., P/S, 43,000 miles. Sharp/clean/dependable. $2,995

1979 Chevy Malibu Classic Estate, 305, auto., P/S, air, 43,000 mi. $4,395

1978 Olds Delta 88, 4 dr., air. (Georgia car). Only 50,000 miles. Scarce model. $3,795

1978 Ford Pinto 2 dr., 4 sp. Clean and sharp. Rally Wheels, factory sun roof. $2,295

1978 Chevy Nova, 4 dr., one owner, 39,000 miles, 6, auto., P/S. Nice family car. $3,195

1978 AMC Concord D/L, 4 dr., 6, auto., P/S, air, 61,000 miles. Real nice at a low price. $2,895

1977 Olds Delta 88, 4 dr., goes A-1, a little high on mileage. NADA book $3,325. Only $1,995

1977 VW Rabbit diesel, 48 mpg. Rare find. $2,500

1977 Chevy Caprice Classic, 4 dr., every extra, 55,000 actual miles, one owner. A steal at $3,495

1976 Buick Skylark, 2 dr., V6, auto., P/S, new paint, low mileage. $2,095

★★1974 Mercedes, 4r., 240D, P/S, sun roof, only 55,000 miles. A new one's $24,000. Like new. $6,000

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RECIPES FROM TELSTAR HOME ECONOMICS CLASS

Some of your readers may remember that in the past the Home Economics Classes at Telstar have submitted recipes which they have tried and liked. They'd like to share the following one. It is home-made sweetened condensed milk. The students have used it in several recipes and found it as satisfactory as the commercially prepared milk and much less expensive. It is hoped you'll try it and make it part of your recipe file.

In an electric blender combine: 1 cup instant nonfat dry milk solids; ⅔ cup sugar; ⅓ cup boiling water; 3 tblsp. melted butter or margarine. Thoroughly blend until smooth. Refrigerate until ready to use. Makes 14 oz.—the size of a commercial can.

MADE IT HIMSELF — Tom Buckman, above, models the insulated vest which he made in Mrs. Arsenault's Home Economics I class at Telstar Regional High School. The vest was made from a Frostline kit. Tom's next project will be a terry shirt using a Simplicity pattern.

For Sale

CHRISTMAS TREES, $5 each. Jodrey's, Vernon Street, Bethel. 49-50

FOR SALE - 1981 Suzuki 650 LX, excellent condition. $1,000. Call 824-3318. 49-50p

Dried flower arrangements in your vase. Nancy Grover, 836-3533. 48-51

HO, HO, HO! Need a Christmas tree? We fill orders and have just the tree for you. Call 824-2920 or 824-2568 after 6 p. m. 48-50

FOR SALE - Christmas trees, $3.00. Ranald Stevens, 824-2491. 48-50p

14 x 70 Skyline Mobile Home, 3 bedrooms, OHA heat, specially constructed for Maine winters. All appliances — excellent condition. Reduced to $10,000. Must be sold. Hugh Chapman, 836-2987 or Elmer Bean Jr., 836-2965. 46tf

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QUALITY CARPET CARE at an affordable price. If you want quality and efficient cleaning in your home or office, call SERVICE-MASTER for carpet — furniture — wall and floor cleaning. Call Today, 743-2168. 11tf

Wanted

WANTED - Old post cards, stamp collections, coins, milk bottles, old soda bottles. Please call 824-3201. 49-52p

Antiques, glass, china, clocks, furniture, early tools, lamps. One item or entire estate. Appraisal service, Rumford Center Antiques, Albert H. Brown. Tel. 364-2073. 27-52ptf

WANTED TO BUY - Scrap metal. Home evenings and week ends. RAYMOND CHAPMAN, 836-2585. 39tf

Real Estate

East Bethel — one mile from Locke Mills—well maintained Cape offers kitchen w/wood cook stove, diningroom, livingroom, 3-4 bedrooms, full basement, wood heat with electric back up, bath, 16x18 woodshed, garage, 2 acre (+) wooded lot, hillside setting with nice view, $39,500. Strout Realty, Hanover. 364-8076. 50tf

GILLIES REALTY, INC. Sunday River Chalet. Privacy with recreational convenience. Multi-leveled, natural interior featuring skylights, beamed ceiling, woodstove and hearth. 3 bedrooms/1½ baths, plus loft. Exceptional owner financing. $68,000. Call 824-3211. 50tf

Songo Pond Cape offers 4 bedrooms, kitchen, diningroom, livingroom with fireplace, 1½ baths, large lot w/pond view. Wood heat w/oil back up. Consider MSHA program or FmHA for your financing. Asking $45,000. Strout Realty, Hanover, 364-8076. 50?

GILLIES REALTY, INC. Sunday River Home. Well located with attractive yard. Family-sized living and play areas. Three bedrooms. Heats easily with wood and/or FHW furnace. New septic. Vacation base or year-round living. $49,000. Call 824-3211. 50tf

Paradise Hill, energy efficient home, mountain views, spacious yard, garden space, all new, 3 bdrms., bath, living, large kitchen-dining, full basement, 2 car garage, sun deck, F.H.A. heat. By appointment: 824-3343. 21tf

GILLIES REALTY, INC. Mount Abram Chalet. Private setting with deck and garden spot. 3 bedrooms/1 bath. Insulated, Thermopane doors/windows. Fisher woodstove for easy heating. Assumable mortgage at 8½%. $32,000. Call 824-3211. 49tf

Locke Mills

— Mrs. John Mills, Corres. —

The Ladies Circle held their Christmas dinner and party Wednesday at the Sunday School room. On Dec. 20 they will be filling boxes (rain date, Dec. 21) at 1 p. m. at the Sunday School room. Members are reminded to furnish cookies for the boxes and for the Cantata.

A Christmas Cantata will be performed at the church Tuesday evening, Dec. 21, at 7:30. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gaudet, Yarmouth, were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Bertha Flanders.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mills were in Norway Monday for doctor appointments and Mrs. Mills had tests at Stephens Memorial Hospital.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Mills, Friday and Saturday, was Heidi Beverage of Bethel.

The Greenwood Fire Department held their Christmas party Sunday evening. Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Allan Howe and family, Mr. and Mrs. Andre Bernier and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Swan, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Melville and family, Ronnie Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Mills, Mrs. Grace Smith, Mrs. Carolee Roberts, Katrina and Kandi Roberts, Mrs. Glenn Young and family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond W. Seames and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Seames and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Cross and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kimball and Jimmy.

Washington Watch

by Olympia J. Snowe
Member of Congress
2nd District, Maine

One of the key questions facing Congress in the next two years will be the state of our national defense: How much do we spend, and what do we spend it on?

That debate fueled by the general state of the economy and the need to reduce the federal deficit, is beginning in the current lame-duck session of the Congress. At the center of the discussion is the controversial MX missile system, a symbol of the difficult decisions which punctuate the defense question.

Last week, the House voted to eliminate funding for the system by a 245 to 176 vote. The debate and lobbying leading up to the vote were an indication of the strong feelings which surround the defense spending issues. Both pro and con MX forces threw all of their strength into the lobbying effort which went on beforehand, and the administration went all-out to win passage of the system. The defeat was a major blow for the administration's overall defense strategy.

I voted against the MX system. In the past, I have stated my reluctance to support the project because of uncertainty surrounding how the missiles would be based. In recent years, we have heard basing proposals as varied as the elaborate "shell game," airborne deployment, a mobile system on the nation's highways and the latest proposal, the "dense-pack" scheme.

Dense-pack basing consists of a large number of missile silos in close proximity to each other in an isolated area of the American west. The theory behind the bassing is that a concept known as "fratricide" will occur. Fratricide means that the first Soviet missile to strike the dense-pack area would destroy or throw off course other missiles headed for the area. Theorectically, at least, many of the MX silos thus would survive the attack, allowing us to respond to the attack with our missiles.

The problem with the fratricide theory is that it can't be proved. We have no way of knowing that fratricide will occur, and since we're talking about spending more than a billion dollars on the system we need more than theory on our side.

Another consideration is the nature of the nuclear arms race. MX represents the latest step in technology among American nuclear forces. But it is by no means the end of the technological spiral. As years pass, more intricate systems will be developed—both by the United States and the Soviet Union.

Some experts predict that, within three or so years of dense-pack deployment, the Soviets will have developed a system capable of rendering dense-pack totally vulnerable. Given this probability, it seems pointless to build a system which will be obsolete in so short a time, particularly when the cost is so high.

I have stated in the past my desire for a national defense second to none. But we've seen conclusively in other areas of the federal government that pouring money into a problem does not guarantee a reasonable solution. Defense cannot be sacrosant from the probing analysis we're giving to other areas of the federal bureaucracy if we are to gain control of the economy.

For Rent

AVAILABLE IMMED. - 2 bedroom Apartment on Main St., Bethel—All utilities incl.—$275 plus security deposit. No pets. Call 824-2810. 50tf

FOR RENT - Nearly new Ward log home in Bryant Pond. 2-3 bedrooms, range, refrigerator, freezer, washer, dryer, electric and/or wood heat, 2 car garage, $375 monthly plus utilities. References and security deposit. Call Bryant Pond 48 ring 3. 49tf

In-town first floor apartment, two bedrooms, very nice. Available in January. Security deposit and references required. Call 824-2465. 48tf

FOR RENT - 8 room house on corner of Paradise, Bethel. Good sized shed and barn, lovely field in back, $275. Call 824-2251. 40tf

Position Wanted

Need a baby sitter while you shop or go out for the holidays? Hourly, days, nights, week ends. Have references. Call 824-3156. 48-52

Miscellaneous

Septic tank pumping by appointment. Brooks Bros., Inc., 824-2158. 23tf

AA meets Wednesday, 8 p. m., at the Bethel Savings Bank. 17tf

EARS PIERCED — $7.50, Saturday, 3 to 6. See Chuck, Prim's Pharmacy, Main St., Bethel 45tf

Shop and Portable Welding. Brown's Welding Shop, Bethel. 824-2752. 33tf

BENNETT'S UPHOLSTERY — Home and office furniture, antique and modern. Call for free estimates, quality workmanship at very reasonable prices. 824-2336. 15tf

Guaranteed frame repair, floor pan patching. If we can fix it, it will last the life of your car. Come in for an estimate. Rt. 219 Garage and Auto Sales, West Paris, Maine. Tel. 674-2921. 46tf

GLASS REPLACEMENT — Auto Glass — Comb. Windows — Sales and Repairs. Twin Town Glass, 45 Main St., Norway, Maine. Tel. 743-6478. 13tf

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S.A.D. #44 BOARD MEETS

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Chevrolet 66-passenger bus from the Town of Gilead. The entering into of a contract with the Town of Gilead for the transportation of that town's students by S.A.D. 44 was also approved. The posting of a bus driver's position for the transport of Gilead students was authorized.

A review of FY 84 budget requests for Transportation, Operation of Plant, and Maintenance of Plant, was tabled until a future Board meeting.

Dr. Wayne F. Gersen was elected to serve as S.A.D. 44 Superintendent of Schools for the period July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984.

All members of the Board were present Monday evening.

The next regular meeting of the S. A. D. Board is scheduled for Monday evening, Jan. 10, 1983, at 7:30, in the Telstar Library.

Madge Vogt is a patient at Andrews Nursing Home in South Paris. Her address is Box 117, and she will enjoy mail or visits from her Bethel friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Henneforth, Kansas City, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. David Miller and family, Rocky Hill, Conn., have been spending some time with their mother, Mrs. Clifford Miller.

MDOT URGES CAUTION ON ICY BRIDGES

Slippery bridge surfaces require super caution by motorists to prevent accidents, MDOT Maintenance and Operations Director Alden G. Small warns.

Rain, fog and drizzle peruliar to the start of winter can form unexpected icy sheets on bridge decks though road surfaces leading to them appear dry and safe.

"Cold air above and below exposed bridges keep their surfaces colder than roads approaching them because road understructures are usually not affected by early winter air," explained Small.

The need for slowing down and driving with caution is increased if bridges are on a downgrade or upgrade, or are on a curve said the MDOT engineer. Those conditions influence wheel turning and accelerating which may contribute to skidding.

"It's totally unpredictable how a bridge surface can change from one hour to the next, as a variation of one or two degrees can create ice hazards," added Small. He pointed out that year-round habits of crossing bridges safely can lull motorists into not respecting dangerous conditions. This apathy is increased by recent weeks' unseasonably warm and snowless days.

OXFORD POMONA MET DEC. 7

Oxford Pomona met with Bear Mt. Grange at South Waterford, Dec. 7 with 55 present at a 6:30 supper served by the host Grange.

The meeting was opened at 7:30 by the Master Louis Marcotte. A resolution on Handicap parking was presented and excepted by members. Cards were sent to Maude Herrick and Elmer Morrill who are ill.

The program was: Address of Welcome by Nancy Marcotte. As this was Christmas, carols were sung by all with Dot Cantwell and Richard Felt leading off. A manger pantomime was on the stage by Kelly Lewis while "Hark the Herald Angels Sing, It Came Up on the Midnight Clear, Away in the Manger, Silent Night were sung. Ruloph was sung. A skit "Dear Aunt Polly" written by Joe Yates and acted out by himself and two sisters, Peggy and Viva. It was very good! Lewis Woodworth rendered "Keep Your Hand on the Throttle" and "Galway Bay." A stunt Pinata was carried out by the young at heart. Peggy Blake broke the bag and received a Santa chocolate.

Closing thought was read by the Lecturer and We wish you a Merry Christmas sung by all. The January meeting on our program is cancelled I fear. The February meeting will be Legislature night at Oxford Grange.

$76,000 HAS BEEN AWARDED TO 109 UMO STUDENTS BY PULP/PAPER FOUNDATION

A total of $76,000 has been awarded to 109 University of Maine at Orono students in fall semester scholarships by the University of Maine Pulp and Paper Foundation. The new scholarships bring to $2.1 million the amount given by the Foundation since 1952 to aid students preparing for paper industry technical and forestry careers. The full Maine tuition scholarships have been distributed to 20 sophomores, 44 juniors and 45 seniors. An additional 14 freshmen will receive full year scholarships at the beginning of the spring semester provided they earn satisfactory grades.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ANNOUNCES NEW BOOKLET

The State Director of the Maine Bureau of Civil Emergency Preparedness, Richard D. Dutremble has announced the availability of a new document entitled — "Can Your Home Pass the Winter Survival Test?"

This document was developed jointly by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

This check off list is designed to be a self-evaluation by all home owners which when completed will assist in preparing your home or apartment for the forthcoming winter season.

Dutremble said the document is available at his office and may be obtained by telephoning 1-800-452-8735 or 622-6201. This check off list is available at no charge.

SQUARE DANCING IN RUMFORD FRIDAY EVENING

The Mollockett Mixers and Sandy River Promenaders will present a Xmas Square Dance, Friday, Dec. 17, from 8 to 11 p. m, at the Rumford Middle School. Class and Club members are welcome. Callers are Terry Campbell with Dick Leger and his guitar, Wally Weeks cueing rounds.

WALK / DRIVE WITH EXTRA CARE IN HOLIDAY SEASON

Citizens are urged to compensate for seasonal hazards by driving and walking with extra care during the Christmas-New Year holiday period.

"We're all aware that road safety is not just a periodic need, but is an ever-present necessity; however, the extra activity of the holiday season plus the uncertain road and weather conditions at this time of the year combine to make this a time when all should use extra caution," said Col. Allan H. Weeks, chief of the Maine State Police.

The state police will have all available Troopers on patrol, said Col. Weeks, not only to enforce the law, but also to provide assistance to motorists during the Christmas-New Year period.

"We ask for the cooperation of motorists and pedestrians, and urge courtesy, caution and common sense, so death and personal injury may be prevented—not just for the holiday season, but every day," Weeks said.

BETTERMENT FUND RAISES SUPPORT FOR WESTBROOK COLLEGE STUDENTS

President Thomas Courtice announced on December 8, the establishment of the William Bingham 2nd Scholarship at Westbook College with an endowment of $25,000. Available to Maine students entering either their Freshman or Senior year at the 150 year old college, first preference is reserved for Oxford County residents.

The scholarship program was made possible through a grant from the Betterment Fund created by the will of William Bingham 2nd. The college has benefitted in recent years from two other Betterment Fund awards.

The scholarship announcement follows by a year a Bingham Nursing Loan Program designed to assist Registered Nurses enrolling in the college's unique BSN program. In its sixth year is the Bingham Faculty Enrichment Program which continues to have direct impact on the quality of Westbrook's educational programs.

In 1982 approximately half of the full time faculty received support for further degree work or educational activities in the form of seminars, course development and research. Matching support was provided for Women's Educational Equity Programs, to identify and eliminate bias in courses and curriculum.

The support given the college by New York based William Bingham Betterment Fund has meant financial aid opportunities for students, educational enhancement for faculty and critical course overview in all departments.

The fund provides support for several other Maine Colleges.

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Newry

— Miss Amy Hanscom, Corres. —

Mrs. Iola Forbes returned to her home in Bethel, Dec. 10, after staying with Mr. and Mrs. David Lowell and family for two weeks because of illness.

There will be a Christmas Tree and program at 7 p. m. at the Newry Community Church, Dec. 18. Regular services will be held at 9 a. m., Dec. 19.

Town Clerk June Swan, has resident and non-resident fishing and hunting licenses for sale, also dog licenses. Dog licenses are due Jan. 1. Dog owners must show a certificate showing that their dog has been inoculated for rabies within the past two years when licensing their dog.

The Selectmen plan to meet the latter part of this week to do more work on the Annual Town Report. The deadline for submitting articles for the Town Meetting Warrant is Dec. 24. Anyone having having an article they wish included should submit it to the Selectmen by that date.

Mrs. Samuel Ridlon and daughter, Bridgton, were week end guests of Mary Tripp.

Mrs. Mary Tripp was in Berlin shopping Monday.

Seven members of the Newry Ladies Circle met at Sylvia Wight's Dec. 6 for a pot luck supper and exchange of gifts.

Brenda and Nancy Wight were guests of honor at a birthday celebration Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wight. Brenda's birthday is Dec. 2 and Nancy's Dec. 17. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. John Wight, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Berry and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Wight, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wight, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Littlehale and family of Bethel.

West Paris

— Mrs. Marian Chase, Corres. —

The West Paris Senior Citizens met at the Legion Hall recently for a baked ham dinner and Christmas party. Over 40 were present. A bountiful supply of pies made a festive table. Rev. LeBrun gave thanks. Following the dinner the meeting opened with salute to the flag and the Lord's Prayer. All records were read and accepted. The Sunshine Committee reported cards sent to ill members and cards were signed for Charles Gordon and George and Julia Turner. A card was read from the Turners which contained an orginal poem to the group from Julia. The Nominating Committee presented a paper requesting the same officers for next year. This was granted. The next meeting will be a pot luck dinner and Lois Ellingwood will show slides.

The West Paris Historical Society will meet on Monday, Dec. 20 at the Social Hall for a 6 p. m. pot luck supper and meeting. After the business meeting Mrs. Jane Perham Gillespie will be the guest speaker.

Forward Fellowship will meet Tuesday, Dec. 21, at the home of Mrs. Cynthia Lamb for a 7 p. m. Christmas party, there will be an exchange of gifts and refreshments.

Harlan Abbott has been discharged from G.M.M.C., Lewiston. His present address is Mechanic Falls, c/o Earl Newton.

B.E.A.R.S., Inc.

(Bethel Emergency Ambulance & Rescue Service, Inc.)

The monthly meeting will be held Sunday, Dec. 19, at 7 o'clock at the Bus Garage. The training will be on how to remove a ski boot properly. The election of officers for the year of 1983 will also be an item covered at the general meeting.

Many of the B.E.A.R.S. enjoyed the annual Christmas party Sunday night. Many thanks to all those on the Christmas committee. You folks did a real fine job.

The Advanced First Aid Class and the Standard First Aid Class will both be all done this week. But there will be another if anyone is interested in January.—If you are, contact Adult Ed for the Advanced, and Florence Merrill or Arlene Greenleaf for the Standard.

Safety Tip of the Week—

Debris in the Roads—Make sure when carrying a Christmas Tree or other articles on top or in the back of vehicles that they are securely tied. If they should come loose and fall in the path of another vehicle, they could obstruct the vision and cause an accident. Even lying in the road they are hazardous. Winter weather conditions might reduce the visibility and make it hard to see the debris in the road—Be Safety Minded—Keep your eyes on the road—Have a safe happy holiday season.

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BETHEL OUTING CLUB HOLDS FAMILY SOCIAL GATHERING

In lieu of its regular December agenda the Bethel Outing Club met for a family social gathering and pot luck supper recently at the Angevine/Holdens on Paradise Road. Despite the fact that snow may be a little late this year, enthusiasm for planned winter activities ran high. A tentative calendar of events occupied considerable informal discussion throughout the evening. All that is needed now is some cooperation from the weatherman!

The Mothers Club had their annual Christmas Party and exchange of gifts at the home of Rae Bartholomew, Wednesday evening, Dec. 8. A very nice supper was enjoyed, with the business meeting following. Gilberte Seeley composed a prayer for the club. Members wish to thank Gil for the prayers she has composed during the year. The Club has ordered 100 more of the Club Cook Books. Members drew names for their "secret pals". The next meeting will be at Eleanor Davis' Jan. 10.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to my readers.

The Selectmen have been notified that a representative of the State D.O.T. will contact Leslie Otten, owner of the Sunday River Skiway, to see what his plans are for reconstruction of the skiway access road, under the Recreational Areas Access Road Act, and determine if the road is eligible. If so, an estimate of the cost of the project will be made and the Selectmen notified. If the road qualifies a vote would then be taken to see if the Town would vote to appropriate the funds necessary to pay their share of the project, which would be 25% of the cost, with the State paying 50% and the Skiway 25%. If approved by the voters, the Town and Skiway would then jointly petition the State for the matching funds.

The Mothers Club wishes to thank those who donated things for the Flea Market at Bear River Grange Hall Sunday, or helped in any way. Special thanks to Betsy Clark, who organized things and worked all day.

A private land owner has offered the use of a lot of land to the Town to be used as a Sewerage Dumping Site. Chairman of the Selectmen, Stephen Wight, has contacted the Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments and a Soil Test of the area will be made. The Selectmen are in the process of making application to the Department of Environmental Protection for approval. If approved the site would be used for dumping sewerage, with the land owner being paid a fee for dumping by the individual. The Selectmen have approved the site, and after studying the rules and regulations, the owner has agreed to the use of the property for the disposal site.

Andover

EAST ANDOVER

— Mrs. Marjorie Jodrey, Cor. —

The Girl Scouts, the Brownie Scouts, Cub Scout and Tiger Scout troops of Andover, will be singing Christmas carols on Dec. 18. If stormy, Dec. 19 will be the date. They will all meet at the Elementary School at 1 p. m.

Pvt. and Mrs. Robert Emerson (nee Kelli Akers) are receiving congratulations on the birth of their first child, a son, Corey Robert, at Rumford Community Hospital on Dec. 9. He weighed in at 8 lbs. They came home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Trine and Michele were in Portland and Old Orchard on Friday, Dec. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. David Dolloff (nee Gail Sidelinger) are receiving congratulations on the birth of their first child, a son, Richard Roderick, born Dec. 11, weighing in at 8 lbs., 11 oz., at Rumford Community Hospital. They came home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Swain spent two days last week in Jericho, Vt., with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney L. Swain, and their two sons, Gregory and Matthew. They enjoyed an early Christmas together on Dec. 9. On Dec. 23 the Vermont Swain family will be leaving for Longmeadow, Mass., to spend the holidays with her parents and other relatives.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Jones and family on the death of her uncle, Paul Demers of Rumford. Services were held Dec. 11.

The East Andover Community Club met for a pot-luck Christmas meeting with Mrs. Barbara Meisner with nine members present. The Secretary has given a donation of $50 each to Calvary Congregational Sunday School, the Sunday School of the First Congregational Church of Andover and to the Hope Training School. They also gave a Christmas box of gifts to Pineland Hospital for their Christmas Sale. Mystery sisters exchanged gifts. There will be no meeting in January. The next meeting will be in February, date to be announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Emerson took her mother, Mrs. Montgomery Merryman to Boston on Sunday to fly home to Sun City, Ariz., after visiting with her daughter and family for two weeks.

The Andover Friday Club met Dec. 10, at Betsy Fisher's for a pot luck buffet supper followed by a Christmas party.

Supper guests of the Richard Johnstons were Rev. and Mrs. Norman Rust.

Mrs. Joye Reier and Mrs. Polly Johnston shopped at the Naval Base at Brunswick and in Lewiston one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Johnston attended the "Twin Cities Squares" square dance on Saturday night.

Bobby Richardson Jr. of Fort Devens, Mass., and David Richardson of Monmouth, spent the week end at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Richardson.

Virginia Daigle, Jane Rich, Betty and Brian Rust, and Joye Reier went with Polly and Dick Johnston to hear the Northern Lights concert at the Bear River Grange.

Mrs. Charles Jaros spent a few days last week in Boston, Mass., visiting Maryanne.

Rev. Norman Rust of the First Congregational Church had as his meditation topic, "God's Christmas Letter" on Dec. 12. Greeters were Polly and Dick Johnston and their daughter, Mrs. Joye Reier. Saturday, Dec. 18, at 1 p. m., Aaron and Palmer wedding; 3 p. m., Sunday School Christmas Program dress rehearsal. Sunday, Dec. 19, Sunday School will present a very special Christmas program at 6:30 p. m. at the church. Church office hours are: Monday and Tuesday, 9 a. m. til noon; Friday, 10 a. m. to noon.

Pastor Grover of the Calvary Congregational Church had as his message on Sunday, Dec. 12, "The Latter Days". The choir sang, "Does Jesus Care?" The Ladies Bible Study Group presented the play, "Come to the Stable" on Dec. 12. Participating were: Marilyn Morton, pianist; Bruce Ames, soloist; Barbara Bailey, Marjorie Stinson, Ruby Wooters, Alice Cox, Ronda Elliott, Mary Bailey, Glenna Allen, Rosemary Roberts, Judy Grover, Phyllis Farrar, Diana Wells. Costumes were made by Barbara Meisner and Norma Farrington. Carol Stuart made posters. Helen Grover was director. Dec. 19 at 6:30 p. m. the Sunday School Christmas program will be presented. There will be gifts for the children and a special with Ruth Martin, a chalk artist. All are welcome. Christmas baskets will be given out Dec. 22. Fruit, canned goods, or vegetables, or any contribution will be appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Clements entertained at a Sunday evening buffet, Dec. 12, with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Stearns of Rumford Corner and Mr. and Mrs. George Hill, West Paris.

Elderwood Manor Notes

Florence Hall received word Dec. 11 of the birth of another great grandnephew. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Dale Thompson (nee Stacey Hall).

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Howard and a friend called on Anne Fox, Friday.

Anne Fox and Florence Hall attended the Friday Club Christmas supper at Betsy Fishers, Dec. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Powell of Mexico, called on her mother, Mrs. Alma Hewey, Sunday.

Roger McGuire called on his mother, Mrs. Catherine McGuire, one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Glover and Mary Thurston played cards with Mrs. Bernice Glover, one night this week.

Dot Elliott was in Rumford on Monday to see the doctor. Mary Thurston took her.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Glover of Hollis Center, were visitors Saturday of his mother, Mrs. Bernice Glover.

Tenants at Elderwood Manor received Christmas boxes from the First Congregational Church on Monday. Many thanks. They were greatly appreciated.

LIONS HELP WITH FOOD DISTRIBUTION — Members of the Bethel Lions Club donated time and labor to help Monday morning at the American Legion Hall when Oxford County Community Services distributed donated cheese and butter. Among those offering their services in carrying and unpacking cartons were above, left to right, Elden Hathaway, Bryant Pond; Dale Thurston and Allan Waterhouse, both of Bethel. Also aiding with the distribution and donating their labors were staff from VOICEs.

Bryant Pond

— Mrs. Alice F. Hoyt, Corres. —

Rebecca and Donald Lawrence joined Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lawrence in Long Island, N. Y., for a visit. They will return this week. Don will return to his job in Bath and join the family in Bryant Pond for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Rey Hefflefinger of Portland called on Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hathaway, Dec. 12. Mrs. Alice McInnis and Mrs. Lois Day, Bryant Pond, also Mrs. Ann Bickford, called on their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hathaway, Dec. 12. Mr. and Mrs. Reynold Jordan, Jr., and Nicole, and Mr. and Mrs. Reynold Jordan and Vance of Waterford, and daughter, Delia of Ohio, and her friend, Sharon, had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hathaway Dec. 12, then went for Christmas trees. Olive Davis and Esther Davis called Dec. 13.

Best Wishes to Tom House on his new meat market. Hope you do well, Tom.

The Daughters of Union Veterans met at the Grange Hall on Monday, Dec. 13, with 12 members present. Forty-nine calls reported. Christmas cards were received from Sarah Grover and the East Stoneham Tent. Program consisted of: Christmas reading, Harriett Estes; Legend of the Sand Dollar, Alice Hoyt; Christmas tree and exchange of gifts, and a tasting party. Next meeting Jan. 10 with election and installation of officers.

Sunday, Dec. 19: 6 p. m., Christmas Service at Baptist Church. Monday, Dec. 20: 7 p. m., Sunday School and Awana Christmas Program. Tuesday, Dec. 21, Christmas Carolling.

Leatrice Chase and Crystal, Locke Mills, called on her mother, Beatrice Farnum, on Saturday.

The Woodstock Extension met at the home of Alice Hoyt on Tuesday, Dec. 7 with 12 present. There was an exchange of gifts and tasting party.

Franklin Grange will meet on Monday, Dec. 20, for a regular meeting and Christmas party. Please bring a gift to exchange and something for a tasting party.

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Greenwood City —

— Mrs. Colista Morgan, Corres. —

During the week I went to the hills just to see them, to listen and to walk. I took my usual route up through the Bulldozer Road. This road was made many years ago by the Grafton Lumber Company when they cut the pine at the top of Noyes Mountain, known to us as the Buck place. The road now is passable only to the farm fields. The rest is back to nature, tiny rills, bushes, and trees have claimed it.

So going through the gate I turned to my right and followed the stone walls on to the top of the hill.

It was so comfortable that I chose the "Two-Birch Rock" on which to sit, meditate and dream for a spell. I relished the silence, broken only by the call of the chickadees, the yak of the nuthatch, and the faint whisper of the farm brook in the woods to my right.

Time here passes so quickly that I could bask in its bliss not realizing how fast the minutes were going. I got lost in gauzy thoughts and idle daydreams, looking back over the many visits, sometimes half forgotten, and forward into the unknown ones.

After leaving I went into the woods to visit the brook. Here many evergreens grow. I chose some white pine to take home. The silvery blue-green needles, five in a cluster (one for each letter in white) were soft to the touch. Other pines are Scotch, red, pitch, and Jack, but none of those were growing there.

"From the cold gray earth to the cold gray sky
They reach like plummet-lines,
And I am but an unseen speck
Amid these mountain pines."
—W. T. W. Barbe

The magic of the crested woodlands lured me on; stomping along trackless paths, passing tumbling walls and fences.

Then again I came to the farm land where I paused often just to gather the magic of the view.

On my way home I followed much the same route and wondered if I'd go again before snow arrived.

This time I left the gate open for perhaps I'll get to snowshoe that way.

I was remarking to myself on the silence surrounding me, when a partridge a dozen feet from me roared off into the trees and I kept on going toward home. My walk for the day had ended.

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Doris Hayes was in Portland on Friday, her birthday, and visited her sisters, Verna Libby and Lemona Waterhouse and they had dinner together.

On Saturday, Ardell and Betty Hayes, Auburn; Duane Hayes and children, West Paris, were at the Hayes home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Mills, Shapleigh, were callers at the home of Frank Curtis and us on Sunday.

Club Eight enjoyed a nice afternoon with Helen Chojnacki on Tuesday.

Clyde and I visited Carl and Lettie Brooks on Sunday.

Ann Holt, Bethel, was at her parents on Sunday.

Mabel Oldham, Welchville; Mildred Bowman, Hebron; called on Dot Curtis this week.

North East Lovell —

— Pauline Smith, Corres. —

The Grange at North Lovell gave a free supper Sunday to the children and their families. A tree and gifts followed the supper. Several went from Slab City.

Monday, 10° below; seems early for that cold.

Curtis Fox of Monmouth and Debbie visited at his grandmother's, Iva Fox, also Stephen Fox family visited.

Linda Allen and Scottie shopped for her mother and later wrapped the gifts for Iva. Saturday, Peter Fox's family was there also Rose Mary. Her son came and with the help of Albert's family put up and decorated a tree.

Roy Smith attended a cook out for around 40. A nice meal, roast pork, beans and chicken.

Pauline and Leroy Smith were in Norway and Paris, visiting at the nursing home. Saw my mother, Marion Kendall, and Ona McAllister, an aunt. I and Sarah Grover and cousin, Vesta Nelson visited my mother. Also took a gift.

Wish everyone could have a Merry Christmas, be warm and enough to eat.

Leroy and Pauline Smith called at their daughter Carolyn's in Oxford.

Chickadees come before daylight, lots of grosbeaks now.

Several attended Walston Andrews' funeral service at the East Stoneham Church Thursday. 10 above, bitter cold it was.

Center Lovell Church service was well attended. Special music.

Robert Johnston hauled his wood Saturday.

Charley Merrill, Arline, visited at the Arthur Weeks, Sunday.

Esther Harriman, friend, Florence Tibbetts, had dinner with Iva this week. Esther brought the dinner. Iva's in bed a lot, and friends, family and neighbors have been so good. Would you find that in a city?

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East Stoneham —

— Gladys Kilgore, Corres. —

Much sympathy is extended to the family of Walston Andrews, who passed away Monday.

Eight from here attended the Senior Citizens Christmas Party at Punkin Valley Wednesday. The decorations were lovely. A dinner of all kinds of nice food was held at noon. After the meeting there was an exchange of gifts. Everyone had a most pleasant day.

Mrs. Ineze Barker entertained the Past Chiefs Club at her home Friday night. There were 12 there. She served a most delicious supper before the meeting.

Mrs. Sarah Grover and Olive Moore visited Mrs. Norma Bartlett at the Andrews nursing home one day last week. They also called on other friends who were there.

It begins to look like Christmas around here, as my neighbors have lighted their trees and homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanwood Nelson will not leave for Florida until later, because of illness.

A pot luck supper is being held at the Church Vestry Thursday night. There will be a program and Christmas tree for the children. Santa will also be there.

Mrs. Nellie Hatstat of Albany visited Mrs. Brenda Gordon, Tuesday.

A merry Christmas and happy New Year to everyone.

T.T.A.E.R.S. News

(Tri-Town Ambulance & Emergency Rescue Service)

The Advanced First Aid Class is taking its State Licensing Test Thursday evening (tonight). Tri Town wishes them all good luck. This test would license them as ambulance attendants, ready to take care of patients. Tri Town would license any graduates as rookies, insisting that they wouldn't be in any situation by themselves in the beginning.

Another first aid class is being organized in Bryant Pond at the Fire Hall starting the first of the year. The classes are open to anyone interested in first aid, not necessarily associated with Tri Town. If interested, contact Bruce Tyner, 674-2968, for details.

Tri Town wishes Wanda Johnson a speed recovery at Stephens Memorial Hospital.

Safety Tip of the Week — As more natural Christmas trees are being used, be careful to keep the tree watered. They look so beautiful. No one wants a fire during the holiday season. And when the needles are dry and start dropping off, it is time to discard the tree. Please don't burn it in a fireplace. The dried needles ignite very quickly.

UPCOUNTRY 4-H CLUB

On Dec. 13, the monthly meeting was opened by the president, Patrick Dapolito. Everyone was there except the treasurer, Jill Murphy. There are six members. At the last meeting elected were Jennifer Brennon as secretary; Amy Murphy, club reporter; Seth Brennon, vice president.

Members and Leader Chris Murphy planned a Roller Skating trip for Christmas vacation and a cooking meeting for Wednesday, Dec. 22 to make dipped chocolates. At a recent craft meeting, members make cone Santas and walnut shell mice to hang on their Christmas trees.

Following the busines part of the meeting, fir bough sprays were constructed. They will decorate the doors of the Upton municipal building, the church and the Town library. — Amy Murphy, Club Reporter.

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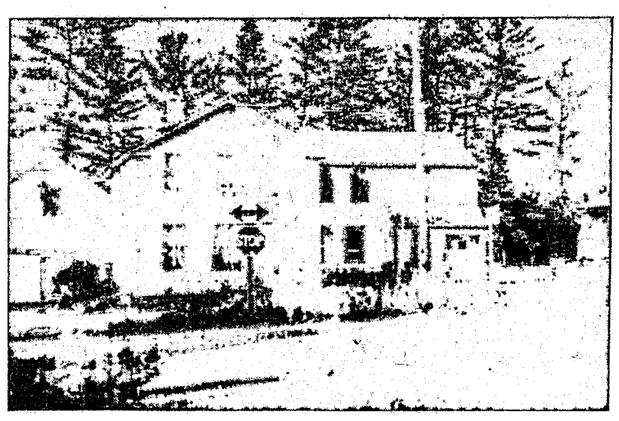

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MARGARET B. ELLIS

Margaret Barth Ellis, of West Poland, died unexpectedly at her home Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1982.

She was born on Sept. 29, 1907, in Williamsbridge, N. Y., the daughter of Rev. Franklin Nelson Strader and Margaret Ellen Howe. She was married on Feb. 14, 1931 to the late Alvin L. Barth Sr., and to Clifford M. H. Ellis on Aug. 29, 1972. She was a graduate of Friends Select in Philadelphia, Penn. Mrs. Ellis was an active member of the Colonial Dames of America in the states of New Jersey and Maine. She was a member of the Episcopal Church.

She is survived by her husband of West Poland; one son, Alvin L. Barth Jr., of Bethel; one daughter, Margaret Barth Sutton of South Paris; and six grandchildren.

CHANGES PROPOSED IN WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency has proposed changes in its water quality standards regulation which will give states more flexibility in tailoring the standards to specific uses and conditions of their waterways.

Water quality standards are set by the states and define the uses of a water body and the quality of water necessary to protect those uses. EPA must approve the standards set by the states. The standards provide one of the basis for regulating pollutants under the Clean Water Act. Over the past few years, states, muncipalities and industries have questioned the inflexibility of the program. Because of various EPA policies, states could not always establish reasonable standards that reflected local environmental conditions.

EPA studied these concerns and decided to publish revisions to the water quality standards regulation. This proposal, published in the Federal Register on Oct. 29, 1982, allows states to set priorities on what water bodies or segments will be reviewed for possible revision. It also allows states to modify designated uses for a water body and set more reasonable site-specific standards if analyses reveal that the characteristics of the site and/or unreasonable costs make it impossible to meet current standards.

The EPA will describe and discuss the proposed changes at a public meeting in Boston on Jan. 11, 1983. The meeting will be held in Room 208 of the John W. McCormick Post Office and Court House Building. The meeting will run from 8:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. The public is invited.

BORN

In Lewiston, Dec. 8, a son, Nicholas Andrew, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Tifft, Jr., of Buckfield.

DIED

In West Poland, Dec. 8, Margaret Barth Ellis, aged 75 years.

FROM THE TOWN OFFICE

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the monetary shortfall is apparent. The difference in the cost of repairs for the 12 miles of roads and the other 60 miles of the Town's road inventory with no State repair sudsidy must come from other funding sources.

The Problem and Challenge

The central issue is the major expenditures that will be required for repair. Simply stated, at any given time, the cost of needed road repairs exceeds available funding and some maintenance projects must be postponed.

Since State law requires municipalities to provide and maintain its roads in a safe and passable condition, the risks pursuant to making wrong road repair decisions is enormous: our personal auto repair expenses increase for front end alignments, etc.; and the likelihood of liability claims against the taxpayers is increased if it is proved that an unsafe road condition contributed to an accident. The challenge being faced squarely by our Town officials is to determine where to spend the available funds that will obtain the most for the road maintenance dollar and keep the roads safe for us. Enter the Bethel Pavement Management System.

How it Works

The Bethel Pavement Management System is a decision making tool. Data is obtained from road inspections relative to the following parameters: pavement surface conditions; shoulder maintenance; drainage maintenance; and, ditching maintenance. These factors are averaged and plotted on a road condition curve together with age of the road and the type of use it sustains. Each road is rated and prioritized, as to its condition and its maintenance or rehabilitation needs.

Equally important is the fact that decision makers can see the effect of their decisions. Studies show that maintenance costs increase as road serviceability declines. Every dollar of rebuilding costs spent at a road's "half life" will require an additional $4 cost for every year that renovation is delayed.

Status

We can be proud of our Highway Department for making such an important contribution to efforts to save our taxpayer dollars. Bethel's roads identified as needing maintenance and rehabilitation under this system are undergoing costing and estimating examination in order to be presented for consideration in the yearly budget and Town Meeting process.

Board of Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen met in regular session Monday, Dec. 13, in the Bethel Savings Bank meeting room with many agenda items dealing with various aspects of the 1983 budget preparation. The Board will meet in special session Monday, Dec. 20, at 7 p. m. in the Town Office meeting room to continue work on budgetary matters.

ASC COMMITTEE ELECTED FOR 1983

Ballots were counted on Dec. 9 and the results of the Dec. 6 election of committeemen in Oxford County's five communities were announced by Roger N. Smedberg, Chairperson of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation County Committee.

The elections were held by mail and resulted in the following farmers being elected to the committees:

For the Towns of Brownfield, Denmark, Hiram, Porter, Stow, Fryeburg, Lovell and Sweden: Harold R. Thurston Jr., Chairperson; Albert L. Graves, Vice-Chairperson; Barry E. Hill, Regular Member; Donald Thibadeau Jr., First Alternate and James Murphy, Second Alternate.

For the towns of Stoneham, Waterford, Norway, Greenwood, Mason, Bethel, Gilead and Albany: T. Richard Carter, Chairperson; Duane Thurston, vice Chairperson; Blynn Thurston, Regular Member; Harold Springer, First Alternate and Donald Hunn, Second Alternate.

For the towns of Paris, Oxford, West Paris, Woodstock and Otisfield: Ole A. Olson, Chairperson; Sidney E. Record, Vice Chair-person; David Shaw, Regular Member; Donald Demarest, First Alternate and Charles P. Coffin, Second Alternate.

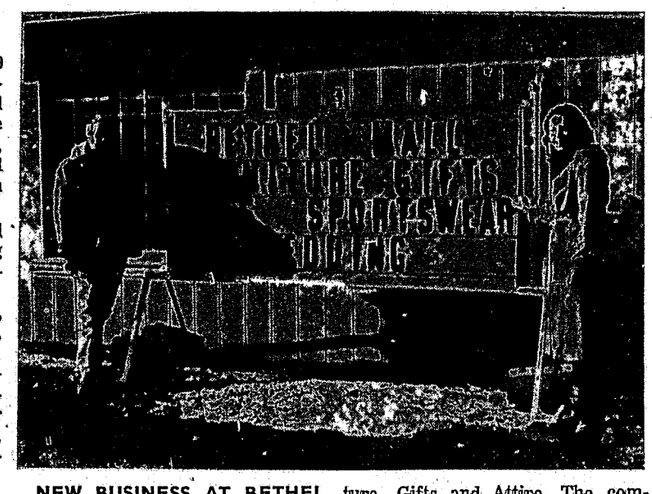
For the towns of Buckfield, Hebron, Hartford, Canton and Sumner: Kenneth P. Cooper, Chairperson; Percy M. Buck, Vice-Chairperson; Paul Bennett, Regular Member; Robert H. Allen, First Alternate and Norris Conant, Second Alternate.

For the towns of Lincoln, Magalloway, Newry, Upton, Hanover, Milton, Byron, Mexico, Roxbury, Andover, Rumford, Dixfield and Peru: Clarence J. Bailey, Chairperson; Marlin L. Thurston, Vice-Chairperson; Robert C. Milligan, Regular member; Roger Richardson, First Alternate and Stanley Haynes, Second Alternate.

Each ASC Committee Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Regular Member automatically become delegates to the county convention where farmers are elected to fill vacancies on the county ASC Committee. Alternate committee members are alternate delegates to the convention.

The convention this year is being held at the ASCS Office in the Agricultural Service Center in South Paris at 10 a. m. on Thursday, December 16. After county committee members are elected at the convention, the delegates determine which of the regular county committee members will serve as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for the coming year. Two county committee alternates are elected for one year terms, also.

The County ASC committee is responsible for local administration of certain Government farm programs. The newly elected county and community committee members take office Jan. 1, 1983.



NEW BUSINESS AT BETHEL MALL — The business owned and managed by Dick and Lidell Thompson, known as Foot Path Casual Shoes and Sports, has expanded into another portion of the Bethel Mall building, corner of Route 26 and Cross Street, and is now open as Country Aire Furniture, Gifts and Attire. The combined stores offer a wide selection of shoes, sportswear and equipment, gifts, furniture and bedding. Shown with the new Bethel Mall sign are owner, Mr. Thompson, left, and employee, Rose Walega of Bethel.

East Bethel

— Mrs. David Foster, Corres. —

Mrs. Lillian Bartlett, Mrs. Peggy Coolidge, Mrs. Agnes Haines, Mrs. Floribel Haines, Mrs. Maud Danforth and Mrs. Angie Ridlon attended the Senior Citizens meeting and dinner at the Sudbury Inn Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Mary Alice Bancroft, Paris Hill and Miss Leslie Bancroft of Oregon called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings one day last week.

Mrs. Gloria White, Mechanic Falls, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Hicks, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Smith and family, Bucksport, Miss Dori Harrington and friend, Carl, of Brunswick, visited Mr. and Mrs. Chester Harrington, Sunday.

Mrs. Josephine Tyler and Bob McKay of Dixfield, visited Mrs. Myra Foster a week ago Saturday.

John Foster and son, David, of Andover, visited Mrs. Foster Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stearns, Rumford Corner, took Mrs. Myra Foster to Dixfield to a family gathering at the home of Mrs. Josephine Tyler, Saturday evening. There were about 24 there. A good time was had by all.

Richard Stearns, Rumford Corner, was a luncheon guest of Mrs. Myra Foster Monday. Before he left he filled the woodboxes for her.

Upton

— Mrs. Arline Bernier, Corres. —

Simmone Lavallee went to see her father, Roger Kelly, who is in the hospital in Berlin. They are trying to find a nursing home in that area for continued care.

Some were able to get to Bethel for cheese and butter donations. Not all the letters sent out to eligible people were received by the addressees.

The warm weather changed suddenly and temperatures went below zero. We received a small amount of snow cover.

The Ladies Aid is planning a Christmas program at the church for the evening of Dec. 24. Each person present is invited to take part by a Bible reading or telling what Christmas means to them, or what was their most meaningful Christmas. Following the program will be a tree with gifts for everyone present.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Edith Bryant wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their thoughtful inquiries and kind expressions of sympathy on the death of our mother and grandmother.

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* Dale and Deborah Cushman

LESSARD - DEEGAN

The wedding of Kathryn M. Deegan and Henry W. Lessard Jr. took place July 17 at Hickam Air Force Base Chapel I. The ceremony was performed by Chaplain Patrick Haley.

The bride wore a floor length white gown with matching lace jacket. She carried a bouquet of carnations and baby's breath. She also wore baby's breath in her hair.

The maid of honor, Sophid Pierce, wore a floor length blue gown and carried a bouquet of carnations and daisies.

The groom and his best man, Myrl Kidd, wore white slacks and blue and white floral print shirts.

In the absence of the bride's parents, Ray Sanchez, friend of the couple, gave the bride away.

The wedding party all wore blue and white leis.

Following the ceremony there was a reception at their new apartment in Aiea.

Kathryn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Deegan of Bethel. She is a 1976 graduate of Telstar Regional High School and Mid State Business School in Augusta. She is serving in the U. S. Air Force stationed at Hickam AFB in Hawaii.

Henry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lessard of Worcester, Mass. He is serving in the U. S. Navy stationed at N.A.S. Barber's Pt., Hawaii.

They are presently at home at 98-099 UAO Place, Apt. 1806, Aiea, Hawaii 96701.

FRIENDSHIP NIGHT OBSERVED BY SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE

Sunset Rebekah Lodge #64 held friendship night on Monday, Dec. 13, with a pot luck supper and guests from Good Faith, Mt. Pleasant and Mt. Hope Lodges. The program consisted of a report of the Christmas party at the home by Phyllis Gammon; a skit by Mt. Hope, "Streaking at the Old Folks Home"; Mt. Pleasant, dancing dolls by Carl Brooks; Good Faith, by Mary Bennett, Why Can't It Be; Sunset Lodge, by Sylvia Benson, I'm Glad We're Friends, Maude Hunt, True Sisterhood, Joan Coolidge, Creed, and Norma Cross, Christmas Tree.

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